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At a General Meeting of the Surtees Society, held in Durham Castle on Tuesday, June 1st, 1897, the Dean of Durham in the chair,—it was

RESOLVED, That a sixth volume of YORK WILLS should be edited for the Society by Mr. J. W. Clay, F.S.A.

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PREFACE.

TIME gets on very fast, it now being eighteen years since the last volume (vol. v) of "Testamenta Eboracensia" was printed by the Surtees Society. Like most of the preceding ones it was edited by Canon Raine, whose loss was so greatly deplored. Previous to his death he wrote to the editor that he had about a third part of another volume transcribed, but that it would be the last he could undertake; however, it is believed that nothing ready was found amongst his papers. He added that he hoped the series would be continued, as it was most acceptable to the subscribers. The Council, being of the same opinion, invited the editor to bring out another volume. This invitation he accepted, although he was aware of the great difficulty in following the footsteps of Canon Raine. He has had, however, the kind help of Mr. William Brown, F.S.A., who has not only looked through most of the proofs, but has himself copied and annotated all the Nottinghamshire wills in this volume.

Two statutes of very general importance are constantly referred to in this volume. The first, 21 Hen. VIII, Cap. 6, passed at the Parliament holden at Westminster in 1530, relates to mortuaries. In

the preamble it states that mortuaries or corse presents were demanded and levied for such as, at the time of their death, had no property in any goods or chattels, and many times for travailing and wayfaring men, in places where they had fortuned to die. To provide against this evil it was enacted that persons dying possessed of movable goods of less value than ten marks should not pay any mortuary; between that sum and 30*li.*, 3*s.* 4*d.*; between 30*li.* and 40*li.*, 6*s.* 8*d.*; and over 40*li.*, 10*s.*; but that not more than one mortuary should be paid. No mortuaries were to be taken for a woman, being covert baron, that is, married, a child, or any person not keeping house, or any wayfaring man, or other that dwelt not nor made residence in the place where they should happen to die.

The other statute, called the Statute of Wills, 32 Hen. VIII, Cap. 1, is still in operation. The preamble is so good an example of the language habitually used at that period in speaking of or to the King, that it seems worth while to give it at length When it is remembered that only three years before the Pilgrimage of Grace had been pu down with the utmost cruelty, and that at the ve time this Parliament was sitting the greater religic houses were being suppressed against the desire the great bulk of the people, it will be possible estimate the truthfulness of these inflated peric "Where the King's most royal majesty, in all time of his most gracious and noble reigne, hath been a merciful, loving, benevolent, and most gra

soveraign lord unto all and singular his loving and obedient subjects, and by many times past hath not only shewed and imparted to them generally by his many, and often great and beneficial, pardons, heretofore by authority of his Parliaments granted, but also by divers other ways and means, many great and ample grants and benignities, in such wise as all his said subjects [have] been most bounden, to the uttermost of their powers and graces by them received of God, to render and give unto his Majesty their most humble reverence, and obedient thanks and services, with their daily and continual prayer to Almighty God for the continual preservation of his most royal estate in most kingly honour and prosperity. Yet always his Majesty, being replete and endowed by God with grace, goodness, and liberality, most tenderly considering that his said obedient and loving subjects cannot use or exercise themselves, according to their estates, degrees, faculties, and qualities, or to beare themselves in such wise as that they may conveniently keep and maintain their hospitalities and families, nor the good education and bringing up of their lawful generations, which in this realm, laud be to God, is in all parts very great and abundant, but that in the manner of necessity, as by daily experience is manifested and known, they shall not be able of their proper goods, chattels, and other movable substance, to discharge their debts, and, after their degrees, set forth and advance their children and posterities." It was enacted that every person having any lands or

hereditaments holden in socage, or in the nature of socage tenure, should be able, by his last will and testament in writing, to give and devise the same at his will and pleasure; and that those who had estates in fee simple in lands held by knights' service should be able, in the same way, to give and devise two-third parts thereof. An explanatory Act was passed two years later, 34 and 35 Hen. VIII, Cap. 5.

Canon Raine referred in his last preface as to the desirability of having a printed index to these wills. Since then the Yorkshire Archæological Society, through its Record Series, has undertaken the work, assisted financially by several friends. Dr. Collins copied part, and edited and arranged the whole of the eight volumes which have been printed, carrying the index from 1389 to 1619, and to volume 35 in the registry at York. For financial reasons the work is now only proceeding slowly, but about two more volumes will, with one previously printed of uncopied wills, and one containing the London wills during the Commonwealth, both arranged by Dr. Collins, reach to 1660. To anyone who has occasion to consult these York wills, and who wishes to escape wading through the present manuscript indexes, the work is an immense boon, and it is hoped that it will be continued to more modern times.

It is not an easy matter, in selecting the wills to be copied, to suit all tastes. In this volume it has been endeavoured to take out those of the great landowners and of the Visitation families

throughout the whole of the county, as it is always interesting to ascertain everything connected with the early possessors of the various manors and estates. Canon Raine's methods of arrangement have been followed as much as possible, and, with the exception of a few wills at the beginning, the volume begins where he left off, and reaches to the end of 1550.

JOHN WM. CLAY.

TESTAMENTA EBORACENSIA.

I. THE WILL OF LYON PERCEHAY, ESQ., OF RYTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 71.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. For as myche as there is nothynge more certeyn than deathe nor more uncertyn than the how[r] of deathe, therefore I, Lyon Percehay,* of Ryton, esquier, willyng that my naturall enemy deathe shall not invaide whill I am holle both of body and mynde this xxiiij daye of May, the yere of our Lorde God, 1516, ordeyns, willes and declares this my last will and testament in forme followng, that is to saye, first I bequeath my soull to the holie Trinitie, and to his blissid moder, our lady sancte Marie, and to all the holy company of hevyn, and my body to be buride where so ever God shall disposse for me. Also I bequeathe for my mortuarie my best quyke goode. Also to the parson for tithes forgotten iij s. iiij d. Also to Sir William Bugge to pray for my soull iij s. iiij d. Also I will that my best gowne be given to the use of my chauntry in Kirkeby-Mysperton to maike a vestement of to pray for my soull and myn ancestres. Also I will that my son Walter Percehay graunt by his patent sufficient in the lawe to Rowland Viccars, in consideracon of his goode service done, and that he hereafter shall doo, xiij s. iiij d. by yere duryng the lyffe of the saide Rowlande. Also I bequeathe to Walter Percehay my neve xx s. Also to Elisabeth Chymney, a cowie, or x s. in money. Also I will that whereas the Lorde Willuthhby, John Vavasor, Jambs Mallyver and Peter Percehay, the terme of Pasche in the

* There are two early wills of the Percehays, of Ryton, in *Testamenta Ebor.*, vol. i. The testator appears, according to Glover's *Visitation*, to have been son of Sir Lyon Percehay, by Anne Babthorpe, and to have married Katherine, daughter of Sir John Hotham, of Scorborough. The eldest son Walter died without issue, and from William descended Christopher Percehay, of Ryton, who appeared before Dugdale.

viith and viiith yere of Kyng Henry, recovered all my manors, landes and tenements agaynst me, Lyon Percehay and Kateryn my wyffe, and Walter Percehay my son, by wright of entre only for thentente of performance of this my laste will, I will and declare thentente of the said recovere in manner and form folloyng; First I will that my said recoverers stand and be seissed of my maner place in Ryton, with the orcherde and the croft . . . to the use and the behove of Kateryn my derly beloved wyffe for terme of lyffe. Also I will that my said recoverers stand and be seased in the manor of Pothowe to the use of Anne my doghter, unto such tyme as they have taken, and receyvede 200 markes for her mariege money, and that my sone Smetheley may receyve and take the rentes of Sprotley, Elley, Wolverton, Swanlande, Kirkelley and Hessyll, by the space of v yeres, for my doghter Elisabeth marriege money, that then my said recoverers shall be seased of ij tenements in Sprotley, to the use of Petre Percehay my yongest sone, unto suche tyme that he be promoted to a benefice; also tenements in the holdyng of John Fissher, Richarde Bell, Rayffe Vessy and Lyon Percehay, in Ryton, to the use of said Petre and to he be promoted to a competent benefice; and further I will that the recoverers stande and be seased of all the residewe, my manors, and lands and tenements, to pay my dettes, and thies trewly paide and trewly contented and this my last will performed, then the said recoverers to stande and be seased of all the premises accordyng to the tenor of endentures, of covenantes of mariage betweene me Lyon Percehay, Katryn my wyffe, and Walter Percehay of the one partie, and John Vavasor of Yorke of the other partie, the dat wherof is the xxth daye of Februarie, the thirde yere of King Henry the viijth. And further I will that a descritt and an honeste preste have sellary to syng for my soull, my wyff and myn ancesters, by the space of iij yeres. Also I will ordeyn and mak Katryn Percehay my wyff, Walter Percehay and William, my sonnes, myn executours. Thees witnesses, Robt. Creyke, John Pyckeryng, Edmunde Dalton, gentilmen, Sir William Bugge, and Sir John Goldyng.

[Proved 20 May, 1517, by the executors.]

II. THE WILL OF DAME MARGARET FAIRFAX, OF GILLING.

[Reg. Test. ix. 54.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xvth day of August, in the yere of our lord God, a thousand fyve hundreth and xvij.

Item Dame Margaret Farfax,* of Gillyng, in Ridall, widowe, in good mynd, makes this my testament and last will in manner & forme ffollowing. First I bequeathe my soull to Allmighty (God), to the gloriouse virgyne our Lady Saynt Mary, and to all the saynts in heven, and my body to be buryed in the church of Gillyng in the quere before the ymage of our lady. And for my buryall I wyll that the church have as it is accustomede, and I wyll that my best gowne go for my mortuary. Also to the churche of Gillyng my best velvett gowne. Also I bequeath to the monastery of poore nonnes of Neysham in the Byshoprice of Duresme a velvett gowne. The residewe of all my goodes not bequeathed I will be at the ordre and disposicon of Sir Thomas Farefax, Knyght, whome I ordeyn and make myn executor, to ordre and disposse of my said goodes as he shall thynk most expedient for my soull, my dettes payd and legaces fullfylled. In witnes of this my last will thies persons were present, Sir William Watson, curait, Thomas Dawson, Edward Shirburne, and Ric. Talbot.

[Proved 20 Nov. 1517.]

III. THE WILL OF WILLIAM WAKEFIELD, OF PONTEFRACT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 177.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last day of July in the yere of our Lord God 1521, I, William Wakefeld,† of Pontefract, gentilman, ordeneth and maketh my testament and last will in this maner and form folowing. First I commende my saull to the hoole Trinitie, to the blissid virgyn our Lady Seynt Marie, and to al the sayntes in hevyn, my body to be beried within the parishe kirke of Alhallows, in Pontefract, within Seynt Kateryn where. Also I bequeath for my mortuary my best beast; to the hye alter for tithes forgottyn and to be assolyd in the chapitor howse of Seynt John, Apostle and Evangelist, iij s. iiij d.; to the parishe

* This lady does not appear in the pedigree of Fairfax, of Walton and Gilling, in the *Herald and Genealogist*, vol. viii. 149. She might perhaps be second wife of Sir Thomas Fairfax, of those places, who died in 1505, and if so, Sir Thomas Fairfax mentioned would be her stepson.

† He would be Mayor of Pontefract in 1503, and the William Wakefield who heads the pedigree in the *Visitation* of 1612. There is an earlier will of this family at York, Vol. iv. 226. "William Wakefeld, of Pontefract, 20 Sept., 1466. To be buried in All Saint's Church in the chapel of S. Katherine, to the Gild of Corpus Christi, vi s. viij d. Fabric of church for my sepulture, vi s. viij d. Residue of goods to Anne, my wife, for the support of my son and my daughter, and I appoint her executrix pr. 4 Oct., 1466." The will of the testator's son John will come later on.

preist to pray for me xxd.; to our Lady service vjs. viij d.; to Jhu service vjs. viij d.; to the gilde of Corpus Christi iij s. iiij d; to the service of Seynt John Baptiste xij d.; and to Seynt Thomas service xij d.; to amendyng of the hye way betwix the vicarage and William Croser's xx s., to be paid the day of my beriall; to the kirke maisters for my beriall vj s. viijd. Also to John Wakefeld al my tymber and bordes in the Taverne, except a kilnehouse of x postes that lieth in the laithe and in the gaite house. Also to Peter my son a howse in the marketh, and ij acre yng that lyeth in Bennet ynges buttyng oppon Rotterclos agyns theste for terme of his lif. Also to Thomas my son, a howse in Ropergaite, and a house in the bate in the holdyng of John Lettron and the on half of a close buttyng oppon thabbay flaite, called the peele, agayns the southe and oppon the beke that goos fro Baghill brige to Bubw' house oppon the northe, now in the holdyng of Richard Wright, clerke, and a tenement in Bondgate, with a cloose y'to belongyng, buttyng oppon thye waye that goos fromo Pontefract to Ferebrig agayns the northe, for terme of his lif, and after his decesse to remaine to John Wakefelde and his heres for ever. Also I bequeath to Agnes my doughter v li. of my parte and my cremysyn gowne. Also I bequeath to a preiste to syng for my saull and for my elders saulles by the spacie of on half yere xlvi s. viij d. Also I bequeath to Thomas Wakefelde my son my blake gowne furride and my unlynded gowne, and al my other rayment I bequeath to Peter my son and the forsaid Thomas. The residew of all and singular my goodes unbequeith I freely gif unto Jenett my wif, to Thomas my son, and Agnes my doughter. I make and ordane my executors, my said wife and Thomas my son, and John Wakefeld. Witnesses, Rober Gibson, William Hogeson, Alderman, Charles Jackeson, Sir John Nelstorp, parishe preist, Sir Xpofer Casse, and many other, the three daye of Auguste.

[Proved 2 Oct. 1521.]

IV. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS BOSVILE, OF DENABY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 263.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of our Lord God 1521, the sexte day of the monethe of October, I, Nicholas Boswell,* of Denyby, within the parishe of Mikis-

* There are many wills of this branch of the Bosvile or Boswell family at York. We have first the will of the testator's grandfather, Thomas Boswell, of Conisborough, 1 Dec., 1473, proved 3 May, 1474, in which he desires

burgh, in the countie of Yorke, hoole bothe of mynde and body makes this my testament. I gif my saull to Almighty God and to his moder sayncte (Marie) and to all the saynctes in hevyn, and body to be beried in the churche of Sancte Peter at Connysburgh afore the altar of our lady. Also I gif in the name of my mortuary my best beast, as the costome is, to the glassyng of the wyndoo at our lady altar there xl s., to Connysburgh kirke to by on cope xl s., to be disposied emong the most nedy people that is in the contre x li. I gif to order a through stone to lay on my grave withe scripture of laton of the same xl s. To every of my god childer now beyng of lyve iiij d. To vj score preistes to syng messe all of on day xl s. I gif my best gowne to Thomas Boswell of Connysburgh, my secunde gown to Thomas Vescy, my thirde gowne to William Vescy. I gif my ij saltes with oon cover to Thomas Boswell of Connysburgh, and also my pece gilt with a cover. Also I will that my feoffees that er infeoffid in all my lands in Hesill, Thirnscoo, and Ranfeld and Cateby, be seasyd of all the saide landes to thuse of me duryng my lif, and mediatly after my decesse to make a state to Thomas Boswell of Conysburgh, to be had to hyme and to his heyres male of his body lawfully gotten, and for defaute of heyres male of his body lawfully begotten to remayne to William Vescy, and to his heres and his assignes for ever. Also I will that my said feoffes make a state to the saide William Vescy of all my landes in Cateby, to be had to hyme and to his heyres for ever. The residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gif to Thomas Vescy, William Vescy, and Sir Henry Cateby, preist, whome I orden and make my full executors, to dispose to the pleasor of God and for healthe of my saull, and also I will that Maister Thomas Vescy, of Doncastre, be supervisor of this my will, and he to have for his labor and good counsell in the same xl s. And also I will that my said executors shall at all tymes indever them to defend and descharge al titles and

to be buried in the church of St. Peter there. He mentions his wife Joan, called in the pedigrees a Wortley, and his sons John and Thomas. Next that of his father Richard Bossewell, of Conisborough, 30 Apr., proved 5 Oct., 1484. To be buried in St. Peter's church, wife Alice, daughters Alice and Katherine. His mother Alis Boswell's will is also there. 7 Apr., pr. 12 Sept., 1502. To be buried in the church of St. Peter. Nicholas son and Katherine daughter, executors. The testator was also executor to his brother Edmund, clerk of Conisborough, will 12 July, pr. 4 Oct., 1507, who gives Jane Vescy £3 6*s.* 8*d.*, and to his sister Katrin Boswell, whose will 12 Sept., 1504, pr. 19 Apr., 1505. To be buried in St. Peter's Church. She gives Robert Boswell, of Conisborough, Katerin, Johan and Alice Vescy 40*s.* each, Olyver Vescy 22*s.*, and Thomas and William Vescy each a spoon. Nicholas the above testator founded a chauntry at Conisborough, and his nephew Thomas's will (son of his brother Richard) comes later on.

clames and incombraunce whiche ar or hereafter may be entitild or laide to thos landes which laite I purchased of Sir William Perpointe, knyght, in Loversaull and Doncastre, or to a meise and xiiij acres of landes in Conysburgh, which laite I purchased of Thomas Boswell, and that they shall not lett soo to do as the lawe will require, ever and so long as any parcell of my goodes will extende to bere ther costes in the same. Theis beyng wittenes, William Pennell, of Hillam, Richard Tailior, of Hickleton, and William Eyton, with other moo.

[Proved 3 July, 1523.]

V. THE WILL OF WILLIAM HOLME, OF PAUL HOLME.

[Reg. Test. ix. 300.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxiiijth day of March 1521, I, William Holme,* of Paulholme in Holdernes, esquier, of the parish of Paull, makes my testament. First I will my saull to God Almyghtie, and to his blissed moder Virgyn Mary, and to all the holye company of hevyn, my body to be beried before the altar of Sancte John, within the church of Paulle. Also I witt for my mortuary my best horse. Also the churche of Paulle my blake chamlett gowne and my blake sattan jackett to sett me and my wif in the beade booke. Item I witto my sister Jayne a cowe and fyve yowes with ther lames. Item the vicar there for forgettyn tithes iij s. iiij d.; to Sir John Briges, my preist, a yowe with hir lame; John Wyntringham, a yowe with hir lame; Thomas Cowper, a yowe with hir lame; the wif of John Wyntryngham, a yowe and a lame; John Holme, of Preston, a yowe with hir lame; John Warner, a yowe with a lame; Cristian Warner, a hog with hir lame; my iiij servauntes, iiij hoges. I will that my executors dispose oppon my beriall daye to poore people penny deale, to every persone a penny for my saull and alcristen saulles. I will that there be dalt oppon the sevent daye to every house within the parishe of Paulle a penny and a pece of bef. The residue of all my goodes I gif and witt Kateryn my wif and Edwarde Holme, maister of arte, whom I make my executors, to dispose my parte for thelthe of my saull, excepte a greate leede and a greate arke, which I will remayne as heire lomes in the house of Paulholme. Also I

* Son of Robert Holme, whose will is printed, *Test. Ebor.*, iv. 217. See also notes by Canon Raine. His wife was daughter of Piers Hildyard, and her will follows in this volume.

make Sir John Constable, knyght, and Cristofer Hilliard, esquer, supervisors of this my will. Also I witt aither of them a foole if they will take them, by cause I trust they will aide my wif and childer in ther nede. Wittenesses, Peter Hilliard, yonger, Laurence Thorp, Brian Thomson, and other.

[Proved 4 Aug. 1524.]

VI. THE WILL OF RALPH GASCOIGNE, OF WHELDALE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 267.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of our lorde God 1522, the xth day of Septembrer, I, Rauf Gascoigne,* of Wheldale, within the parishe of Friston, of hoole mynde and remembrance, intendyng to go to the kynges warres when it shall pleas his grace, ordineth and makith this my will in this maner folowyng. The first I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, to his moder Sancte Mary, and to all sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be berede where ever God Almyghtie please. Also I bequeath in the name of my mortuary as use requireth. Also I bequeath to the hye altar in the church of Friston for tithes and oblacons forgottyn xiij s. iiij d. Also I gif to our lady light in Friston churche vj s. viij d. It. I bequeath to the church warke vj s. viij d. Also I will that Robert Gascoyne my sone shall have my fermeholdes of Newton Friston, thes my fermeholdes in Burnby, Rodstane, and Therpfields, every oon of them, duryng my termes ther in. Also I gif and bequeath to my said sone Robert Gascoigne the oon half of my goodes hooly moveable and unmoveable, and he to be dayly holden at and to the scole, and to be at the governance and in custodye with his parte of the goodes of Isabell, my wif, his moder, and his frendes, unto he be at lawfull yeres of ago. Also I bequeath to Sir John Gascoigne, vicar of Friston, my baye nag and my gray nag and v marc of money. Also I will that oon preist shalbe hyred to syng oone hoole yere at the parishe churche of Friston, for the helth of my saull and al Cristen saulles. Also the other half of my goodes not bequeathede I gif to Isabell my wif, whome I mak my executore, with Sir Henry Gascoigne, parsone of Burghwall, Richard Calverley, and Sir John Gascoigne, the vicar of Friston, to se that this my

* Considered to be a son of Ralph Gascoigne, of Burnby, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, iv. 15. His wife Isabel's will follows next, though out of order of date.

will be executed, fulfilled and disposid for the helthe of my saull. Also I make Sir William Percye, knyght, supervisor of this my will, to se it be truly fulfilled, and he to have for his payne and labor oone horse worthe iiij markes, or els iiij markes in money. Into witnes wherof I have setto my seale the day and the yere above said. Wittenes, Sir John Gascoigne, my curate, John Meryng, and James Illyngworth.

[Proved 13 July, 1523.]

VII. THE WILL OF ISABEL GASCOIGNE, OF WHELDALE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 136.]

In the name of God, Amen. The v daie of Februarij, in the yeare of o^r lorde God 1533. I, Isabell Gascoigne, late of Wheldale, in the parishe of Fristone upon Aire, widowe, make and ordane this my testament and laste will. Furste I bequethe my soule to Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the hollie companie of heven, and my bodie to be beried within the quere of my parishe churche of Fristone, paying therfor as the use and custome requireth. Also I bequethe to the high altar of the said chirche for my forgotten tithes xij d. Also to Margaret Caluerlaie vj s. viij d.; to Sir John Robinsone, chaplayn, xiij s. iiij d.; to Jenet Boltone one kirtell and xij d.; to Sikes wif a quarter barlie and one swyne; to John, of Castillforthe, one ewe shepe; and to the Graye Frears of Yorke vj s. viij d. Also to Marionne one stone of woulle and half quarter barlye; to Jane Dicksone one caulf; to Miles, of Gate, dim. quarter of barlie malte; to Robert Gascoignes wif one worsted kirtell; to the nourne one mett of barlie. I will that after my dettes be payed and my funerall expenses be maide and done, all the residew of my goodes unbequethed be equallie bie evyn portions unto Agnes Waikefelde, Anne Jenkinson, John Rousheforthe, Robert Rousheforthe, Alexander Meryng and Thomas Gascoigne. Item I will that all such goodes as were John Merynges which are in my custodie and handes, wiche doe amounte and extende to the sume of lxvij li. vj s. viij d., shall fullie and hollie remane and be sett owte to the use and profett of John Mering, Robert Mering and Nicholes Mering, sones of the said John Mering, late deceased. And I make my executors of this my will, Agnes Wakefelde, Anne Jenkinsone and Nicoles Elles. Theise witnesses, Sir John Robynsone, chap-

layne, John Prince, John Huchinsone, Robart Webstar, John Hemmyngley, Thomas Roshforth, Robarte Smythe, John Logge, with odre moo.

[Proved 13 March, 1533.]

VIII. THE WILL OF KATHERINE ANNE, OF HOOTON PANNELL.

[Reg. Test. ix. 277.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. xxiijth day of November, in the yere of our Lord God 1523, I, Kateryn Anne,* of Hoton Pannall, of hoole mynde makes my last will and testament in this maner folowng. First I bequeath my saull to God Almightie, to our blissid lady Sanct Mary, and to all the sanctes of hevyn, my body to be beried in the kirke of the forsaide Hoton. I bequeath for my mortuary my best beast after costome of the contre. Also to the hye altar for tithes forgottyn vj s. viij d.; to the kirke vj s. viij d. Also I bequeath to my son, John Anne, my best salte and iij pare of my best sheites, and Kateryn my doghter, his wif, my best kirtill and my best girdle, and to Cristofer Anne, my godson, x s. Also to Jane Pek, my doughter, my best gowne; to Alice Grene, my doughter, my other best gowne; to Elisabeth Otes, my doughter, my oder best gowne; and to Anne More, my doughtor, my best gowne. Also to Nichales Peke xxvj s. viij d.; to John Phaslay, my servaunte, a yoke of oxen; to Jenet, my servaunte, a cowe; and Kateryne, my servaunte, a cowe; and Alicie, my servaunte, a cowe; and John Ryley ij shep; and to Robert, my servaunte, ij shep; and to litle Kateryn, my servaunte, a nolde gowne or a nolde kirtle; to Kateryn More vj s. viij d. and a silver spoone; to Ric. Elys wif and to White wife and to Rois William Elys wif, ichon of them, a paire of hemptere shetes. Also William Grene a silver spone and Kateryne Grene a silver spone. Also vij marc to a preist to syng for my saull a twelmonthe. Also I will my dettes be paid of my hoole goodes. Residue of my goodes not bequeath I gif to John Anne, my son, to John Peke, my son in lawe, Thomas Grene, my son in lawe, Brian Otes, my son in lawe, and George More, my sonin law, whom I make my executors, them to dispose al for helth of my saull and profett to them self. Wittenes hereof,

* Daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Preston, of Hickleton, and wife of John Anne, Esq., of Frickley, whose administration was taken 14 Dec, 1520. Their son John's will follows in this volume.

Sir William Sheperd, vicar; Robert Smyth, Thomas Wikham and William England.

[Proved 3 March, 152$\frac{3}{4}$, by the executors.]

IX. THE WILL OF THOMAS WORMLEY, OF HATFIELD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 384.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxviij daye of Maye, 1524, I, Thomas Wormeley,* of Hatefeld, makes my will. First I bequeath my sall to God Almyghtie, my bodie to be beried in the churcheyarde of Armethorpe Also I bequeathe for my mortuary after the costome of the contre. Also to the hie altar v d.; to John Wormeley, all suche goodes as he haith of myne, to have hit, excepte a cowe and a calf; also a litile howse with a yerde the terme of his lyfe, and than to return to the right heires; also to Agnes Rawe v s. or a whye stirke of v s. price. Also I will that my wif have the howse with al therto belongyng as long as she kepeth hir unmaried, and she to have hir thirde of the moveable goodes according to her right. I will that Thomas, my sone, to have a bond wayne. The residue I give to my thre sones, whome I make my executors, to do for me and paye dettes, and then to divide the residue equaly betwixt them and their susters by evyn porcons. Thies supervisors, Charles Wormeley, John Hunt, and they to have iij s. iiij d. with theire costes. Thies wittenes, Sir John Banastre, Sir Charles Laurent and Charles Wormeley.

[Proved 15 Jan. 152$\frac{7}{8}$.]

X. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS FITZWILLIAM, OF ARKSEY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 344]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vijth daye of February, 1525, I, Nicholas Fithwilliam,† of the parishe of Arksay. In primis I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God my Savior, to our lady Sancte Mary, and to all the holy company of hevyn, and my body to be beried in the churche of Arksay afore Sancte John Baptiste, and my mortuary my best beast after the laudable costome of holy church. Also I bequeath to a preist to syng in the churche of Arksay for

* This family appeared at the Visitations of 1585 and 1666.

† Son of Ralph Fitzwilliam, of Bentley, who was son of Robert Fitzwilliam, of Bentley, who was fourth son of Sir John Fitzwilliam, of Sprotborough. He is said to have married first, Alice, daughter of Robert Baildon, and secondly, Elizabeth .... He died April, 1526, according to the monumental inscription at Arksey. He was succeeded by his son Nicholas.

my saull and all Cristen saulles for on yere vj marc. I will that iiij quarter malte be deilte to poor folkes of the parishe of Arksaye as is most nedfull, to the churche warke of Arkesay vj s. viij d., to the sanctes within the churche v li. wax, to the hie altar vj d. for tithes forgottyn, to the Graye Freres of Doncastre iij s. iiij d., to the churche of Sprodburgh iij s. iiij d., to the churche of Melton ij s., to the churche of Mar ij s., to the churche of Brodesworth ij s., to the church of Athwike ij s., to the churche of Ouston ij s., to the churche of Bramwith ij s., to the churche of Barneby supe Done ij s., to the churche of Sandall ij s., to the churche of Warmesworth ij s. I gif to my sone Nicholes Fithwilliam oon silver pece and vij silver spones, and he to leve them to his heire in like maner, also oon cownter, on brode borde in the haull in like maner, also ij oxen which I bought of Roberte Watson, iiij stottes, iij of on sutie, with on browne stotte, also on waine, on gowne the best, on dublet of velvett, on jackett of chamlett, also all my harnes, also xx^tie^ shepe of my owne breide. I bequeath to Ursula Fithwilliam, his doughtor, on whie whiteheded; to Nicholes Fithwilliam, his sone, on blake mare with hir folower; to William Fithwilliam, his broder, on graye maire and hir folower; to my doughter Margarete Burges on quarter malte and a bushell wheate; to William Burges on redde whie and on blake fole of ij yeres age; and to iche childe of my doughtor Margarete oon yowe shepe; to ichon of my servauntes ij shepe; to John Burges on jacket of Kendall and on bukskyn dublett, oon paire hoose and oon bonnett; to Francisce Pogson oon whie; to Alison Pogson a whie; to my broder John Fithwilliam on red done stag; to ichon of my god childer iiij d. The residue of my goodes not bequest I gif Elizabeth, my wife, frelye to dispose at hir pleasor. I gif to Sir John Knoles, vicar of Arksay, vj s. viij d., to pray for me; to Sir John Geliam on dublet of tawney chamlett and vj s. viij d., to the reparacon of hall landes iij s. iiij d. Whiche Elisabeth, my wife, I make my executrix. Wittenes, Sir John Geliam, preist, Robert Hely, and other.

[Proved 25 May, 1526.]

XI. THOMAS STAPILTON, ESQ., OF HUDDERSFIELD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 340.]

In the name of the Fader, the Sone, and the Holy Goost. The xvij^th^ day of Marche, in the yere of oure Lord God

1525, I, Thomas Stapilton,* Esquier, beyng hoole and perfitt of mynd and of good remembraunce, maketh my will and testament in this maner. First I gif and bequeath my saulle to Almyghtie God, and to that blissid virgyn his moder Sancte Mary, and to all the feire felyshipe and company of hevyn, and my body to be beried within the church or where of the Holy Trinitie, with in the parishe churche of Sancte Peter of Huddersfeld. Also I gif and bequeath my best beast for my corceprisaunte in the name of my mortuary as custome is. Also I will, constitute and orden Elisabeth Stapilton, my wif, my very true and faithfull executrix, and gyves to hir all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, where soo ever they be, and she to dispose of the same for the healthe of my saull. Also where as I the said Thomas Stapilton, esquier, haith made a feoffmente uppon trust unto Roberte Nevell, knyght; Thomas Grice, of Wakefeld, gentilman; Thomas Kaye, of Huddersfeld, merchaunte; Thomas Hanson, sone and heire late of John Hanson; William Brooke, of Bradley gate; Edwarde Cowper, Robert Hirst, of Banke house; and Ric. Hey, of Scamonden, and to theire heires for ever of in and opon all my maners, messes, landes and tenementes, meadowse, woddes and pastors, rents, reversions in Gedling, in the county of Nothyngham, to thentente of my last will to be performed. First I will that my said feoffes shall stande seased in and upon on measse, late in the tenure of Alice Norwell, and also in and opon al other thes measses, landes, tenementes, meddowes, woddes, closes and pasters in Gedlyng, aforesaide, the which are in the severall tenores of John Rogers, Richard Sampson, John Barons, and Walter Duffield, vicar of the church of Gedlyng, to thuse of Sir John Kaye, preist, for terme of his lif, and after his decesse to thuse of such preist or preistes as shalbe electe by the same Elisabeth Stapilton, my wife, and my heires, to syng within the choro of the Holye Trinitie at Huddresfeld aforsaid for ever more. Furthermor I will that my saide feoffes shall stand and be seased in and opon all other my meases, landes and tenementes, meddows, woddes and pastors, rents, reversions and services, with the appurtenances in Gedling aforesaide, to the use of Elisabeth, my wif, duryng the terme of hir lif, and after hir decesse to the use of my heires for ever. In wittenes whereof unto this my present will

* Of Quarmby, near Huddersfield, younger son of Sir Brian Stapleton, of Carleton. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Nevile, of Liversedge, license 13 Jan., 1594. *Test. Ebor.*, iii. 358. They had two daughters, Maude, wife of Anthony Eltofts, and Elizabeth, wife of William Blythe.

I, the said Thomas Stapilton, haith setto my seale. Thies wittenesses, Thomas Beamont, Richarde Flesher, and John Keye, preist.

[Proved 15 June, 1526, by the executrix.]

XII. THE WILL OF JOHN HALL, ALDERMAN, YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 369.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxxth day of Marche, the yere of oure lorde God 1527, I, John Hall, Alderman of Yorke, in the parishe of Allhallowes in North strete, hale of mynd and good memory, maketh my testament and last will in this maner and forme folowing. First, I gyve my sall to God Almyghtie, and to our blissid ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the fare company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the parishe church of Allhallowes, as nere Agnes my wife as may be. Item I witto the parsone of the churche my best rayment as costome of the citie is. Also I will have v li. wax in v serges to be brynte aboute me the daye of my beriall. Also I will have the maister and the kepers of Corpus Christi gilde with other torches the daye of my beriall, and also the torches of Sancte Antonies. Also I witto my parishe churche x s. to the kirke werke. Also I bequeath to Sir Antony Ughtred, knyght, my ij howses in North Strete with the appurtenences, with all other howses and fermeholdes that I have for certen yeres as specifieth by indentors in the said North Strete. Also I witto Jane, my servaunte, the lesse leede with the hole in the bothom. Also I make my executors Sir Antony Ughtred, knyght, and Jane Buke, my servaunte of this my last will. In wittenes hereof my curate, Sir Richard Olyver, John Newby, Thomas Smyth, and John Bernys.

[Proved 6 June, 1627.]

XIII. THE WILL OF JOHN WOMBWELL, ESQ., OF WATH.

[Reg. Test. ix. 372.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God 1527, and in the moneth of June, I, John Wombwell, of Wathe, esquier, of hoole mynde and good remembrance, makes my will of this maner. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, and to our ladie Sanct Mary, and to all the holy company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the chauncell of Waith, nere my wif. Also I bequeath to

my corceprisante my best good after costome of the contre. Also I gif to Margarete Molsome that at she haith if she will praye for me the said John of Wombwell, if not, that my executors take from hir a girdle and a paire of beades, which that I bought with my money as I will answer. Also I bequeath to the hie alar for tithes forgottyn ij s. Also to Sancte Kateryn light ij s. Also the residue of my goodes not gyffeyn nor bequeathed, I brought furth and my dettes paid, I gyve unto Thomas my sone, and hyme I orden my executor for to dispose for the health of my sall as it semeth hym the best. Thies beyng wittenes, Sir William Hopkynson, vicar of Waith; Thurstane Hall, Esquier; Rauf Colynson, gentilman; Constant Robynson, gentilman; Sir John Silvester, and Sir William Moslay.

[Proved 2 July, 1527, by the executor.]

XIV. THE WILL OF ROBERT BULMER, OF BULMER, GEN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 385.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxviijth daye of the monethe of December, in the yere of our lorde God 1527, I, Roberte Bulmer,* of Bulmer, bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the sanctes in heyvn to praye for me, and my bodie to be beried in the chuiche of Sancte Martyn, of Bulmer. And I bewitt my best good to be my mortuary. Item I bequeath to the hie altar for forgotten tithes x s. Item I bewitto the kirke warke of Sancte Martyn, of Bulmer vj s. viij d. Item I witto my maister Sir John Bulmer a baye stag. Also to my maister William Bulmer, his sone, a stag. Also to Roberte Bulmer and John Bulmer, aither of them, a stag. Also I witt a house to my wif in Scrayngham, and hir chamer as it standis. Also I witto my sone Rauf Graye my best gowne. Also I witto my doughtor Margaret, his wif, a litle mucer and a broche, which was my mothers. Also I witto my suster Cecilie a house in Buttercrame, over the gate where she dwelleth. Also I witto Agnes Aslaby ij whies. Also I witto my broder Richarde Aslaby a quarter of wheate. Also to Sir Thomas Aslaby his son [illegible] Also I witto my cosyng Elisabeth Herte a whie and vj s. viij d. Also to my suster Aslaby iij s. iiijd. Also I witto

* He was probably a younger member of the great house of Wilton, but [illegible] named in the pedigree, so it is difficult to say what his relationship was to Sir William Bulmer, whose will is in *Test. Ebor.*, v. 306, where Canon Raine has given a long note about the family.

my cosyng Beatrice Graye iij s. iiij d. Also I witto Roberte Bulmer and John Bulmer, every of them, xl s., if my good will extende therto. Also I gyve and witt to Roberte Bulmer and John, ayther of them, yerely, xl s. of my landes as it apperith in condicon of mariage betwixt my sone Graye and me, alway provided if my doughtor Margarete have no isshue of hir bodie lawfully begottyn. And I gyve and I witt all my landes to remane to Roberte Bulmer and John, and theire heires. Al my other goodes afore not bewitted, my dettes paide, and my legacy fulfilled, I gyve and witto to my sones Roberte Bulmer and John Bulmer, whome I make my executors. Also I make my maister Sir William Bulmer, knyght, supervisor of this my will. Wittenes hereof, Rauf Graye, of Barton, Esquier; Richarde Aslaby, George Jacson, and John Hudson.

[Proved 18 Jan. 1527.]

XV. THE WILL OF JOHN THORNHILL, OF FIXBY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 441.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last daye of Marche, in the yere of our Lorde God 1529, I, John Thornehill,* of Fixbe, in the countie of Yorke, beyng hoole in bodie and mynde, blissed be Almightie God, makith and ordineth this my last will and testament in maner and forme foloing. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried within the chapell of oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, of Eland, in the chore there called Sancte Nicholas chore, or in the chauncell nere therto adjonyng. Also I bequeath my best beast in the name of my mortuary as costome is. Also towards the byeng of a coope xx d. To John Arondell my servaunt x s. The residue of all my goodes and catalles, moveable and unmoveable, not geven nor bequested, my dettes truly paid, I geve and bequeath to Jenet my wif, to thuse of her and my yonger childer whome I orden to be my hoole executrix. Also I will that every on of

* Head of the ancient *Visitation* family of Thornhill, which had settled at Thornhill at a very early period. It continued in the male line at Fixby till 1844, and is at present represented in the female line by Bryan Clarke-Thornhill, Esq. Fixby Park is, however, now rented by the well-known Huddersfield Golf Club. The testator was son of William Thornhill, of Fixby, by Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Mirfield, and married Jennet, daughter of John Savile, of Newhall, Elland. His eldest son John married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Grice, of Wakefield.

my yonger sones whiche I have by my said wif, or herafter shall happen to have, every on of them have yerely forth of my landes duryng terme of ther lyves xxvj s. viij d. Also I will that my said wif have all the maner of Fixby unto my son and heire appairent, John Thornehill, come to the age of xx^tie^ yeres, to helpe and succour my said yonger childer with, and from thens furth my said wif to be content with her feoffament and dowre, and I will hertely desire and praye my broder in law, Thomas Grice, to be content with this my will, and in like case I charge my said son John to be content with this my said will, as he will have my blissing. And this my will in all things to be fulfillid and ordered at the sight of John Lacy, esquyer, the for said Thomas Grice, John Sayvell, of the Newhall, Thomas Sayvell, of Ecclisley, gentlemen, whome I make supervisors. Thies wittenes, Edwarde Saivell, Nicholas Saivell, gentlemen, Sir John Brokebanke, chaplaine.

[Proved 11 May, 1529, by widow Joan.]

XVI. THE WILL OF EDWARD SALTMARSHE, OF WEST COTTINGWITH.

[Reg. Test. x. 71.]

In the name of God, Amen. The yere of our lord God a thovsand fyve hundreth and thirty, the ix day of August, I, Edward Saltmarshe,* of West Cottingwith, of hoill mynd and memorans, institutes, ordans and makes my testament and last will here foloving. Fyrst I bequeith my sall to God Almighty my creator, our lady Sanct Marie, and to all the celestiall company that is in hevyn, and my body to be buried in the church of Sanct Ellyn, of Thorgonby, in the allye afor the qwhere dore. Item I bequeith to the church wardens for my beriall iij s. iiij d. Item I will that thar be a pound of wax burned a bowt my body in the day of my beriall. Item I bequeith to every howse of the iiij orders of Freers at Yorke xij d., to Henry Wilkynson iij s. iiij d., to Sir William our parishe preist xij d., to the priorisse of Thikhid and hir systers iij s. Item I bequeith for on annuetie obit it to be doyn yerly ever more for my saull, and iij s. iiij d. of the which money the preist shall have, and viij d. for messe and derige, and the parishe clark shall have for rynging and helping the preist vj d. The residew shalbe gyffyn to pure pepill to pray for my

* His son Thomas is said to have been a merchant at Hull, and his will is at York, 2 Nov., 1578, pr. 22 Dec., 1578.

sall. Item, I bequeith to Robert Nicoll my blak frees coit and a canvesse dublett, to Agnes Shep[d] a why cawiff and her awntt Reward, to Ellyn Wester ij s., to Ellyn Herd two hardyn sheittes, to Thomas Hird a cownter that is in his father hoose, to Willm Sander my bukskyn coitt. The residew of my goodes, my will fulfilled, and my dettes paid, I gyff unto my wyff and Thomas my sone, whome I maik my executores. In witnes hereof, Sir Henry Wilkynson, Robert Watkyson, John Thomson, John Grayff, Richard Peirson, with mony moo.

[Proved 16 Sept. 1531.]

XVII. THE WILL OF THOMAS SAVILE, OF BLAITHROID, GENT.

[Reg. Test. x. 51.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xv[th] day of Februarij, in the yere of our lord God a thousand cccc and thirty, I, Thomas Sayvell,* of Blaidroid, in the township of Southeowrome, of Halyfax parishe, gentilman, hoile of mynd and of good memorie, makes this my testament and last will after the forme folowng. First I bequeith my sawll to God Almyghty, to oure blissid lady Sanct Marie, and the holy company of hevyn, and my body to be buried within the parish church of Halyfax, for the whyche I bequeith to the church use or the upholding their of iij s. iiij d., and for my mortuarie according to the actes of parliament. The residew of all my goodes unbequeithed I gyve holy to my sonnes John and Brian, whome I make my executors, to the intent that they shall bring me furth their wth all, and so y[t] my wyfe and my childer have their right. Theis witnesses present, Maister John Lacye, of Cromwellbotham, esqwyer, Sir Richard Wilson, priest, and Alex. Exlay, with other mo.

[Proved 20 May, 1531, by the executors.]

XVIII. THE WILL OF RALPH ELWICK, OF SEATON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. x. 77.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of o[r] lorde God 1531, and the secunday of Maij, I, Rawff Elwik,† of

* A member of a younger branch of the Saviles, of Copley, and probably son of Nicholas Savile, of the Banke, Halifax, by Joan, daughter of John Lacy, of Cromwellbothom. He married Eufemia Sothill, of Sothill, who was buried at Halifax, 9 Oct., 1524, according to the Register. See Glover's *Visitation*, p. 329.

† He appears to head the pedigree of Elwick, of Seaton, in the *Visitati·n* of 1584.

Ceytton, gentilman, with hooll mynd and remembrance, makes my last testament in this forme foloving. First I bequeith my soull to Almighty God, and to o^{r} lady his mother Marie, and to all the sanctes of hevyn, and my body to be beried with in the chauncere of Sancte Edmund of Ceytton. Also I bequeith for all forgottyn teithes and oblacons one horse or als one mare. Also I bequeith viij pound wax to be abowt my body the day of my beriall. Also I bequeith vj s. viij d. to by torches the day of my beriall. Also I bequeith vj li. to preistes and clerkes and powere folkes the day of my beriall, also vj s. viij d. to fynd one light afor sepulcor and so to bedyspossed as my executors thynkes the best to be doyn, also vj s. viij d. to Sr Thomas Aill my curett, also xiij s. iiij d. to the iiij orders of freres at York, also one cow and iiij yowes to George Sotheby, also my best gowne to my son George, also x sheip and one cow to my suster Isabell Medylton, also one gowne furred wth fox, and one chamlet dublet, and one worsted dublet, and my horse and boittes and spurres and one fresid jakit, and my best wayn and plought, wth all thyng y^{t} belonges tharto, to my son Marmaduke. Also I bequeith one Kendall jakett to Robert Blancherd, also my swyrd to my son Xpofer Sotherby, also one velvett dublet to my son John, also one mare to my son John wyff, also one lame to Robert Atwik, also on sheip to Mathew Atwik, also iij mare and thar folles and one filly y^{t} was of one mare y^{t} was Anthony Baillis, and one whye and one stott to my wyff Elsabeth. Also I maik and it is my will that my wiff Elsabeth and my son John and my son George and my son Marmaduk shalbe my executors, to se that this my last testament be fulfillid, and to disposse the residew of my guddes for the helth of my saull. Witnes hereof, Thomas Aill, preist, Rawff Hartholsty, preist, Robertt Blancherd.

[Proved 10 Oct. 1531.]

XIX. THE WILL OF WILLIAM WENTWORTH, OF SPROTBOROUGH.

[Reg. Test. x. 101.]

15 May, 1531. I, William Wentworth,* dwelling in Sprodburgh, hoill of mynd and memorie, makith my testament and last will in man^{r} and forme foloyng. In the first I bequeith my saull to Almyghty God, o^{r} lord Jhu Crist, and my body to be beried in the parishe church of our lady Sanct Mary in Sprodburgh. I bequeth to the hee alter

* Probably son of Richard Wentworth, of Bretton, and Isabel, daughter of Sir William Fitzwilliam, of Sprotborough.

for forgotten tethes iij s. iiij d., to the said church for lying my bonys tharin iij s. iiij d., to the church wark iij s. iiijd., to the Trinitie lyght ij s., to o^r^ lady lyght ij s., to the Gray Freers of Doncastre to prayid for and to have *messe, placebo* and *derige* for my father saull, my moder saull, my son Alexander saull, my saull, and all cristen saullis vj s. viij d., to the Freers of Tikhill ij s., to the blak Freers of Pomfreth ij s. I bequeith at the day of my beriall to every one y^t^ comys one halpeny looff. I have a fermehold in Houghton which is holden of Sanct John, the profettes therof I will y^t^ John my doughter have unto such tyme as she be maried, and to pay for the fyne iij s. at the court holden at Swynton next after my deceasse. I gyff to Johan my doughter a whye calf, iiij sylver sponys and a gilt spone, a silver pece, a brase pott and a masar, the which the band is lows. Item I gyff to the church wark of o^r^ lady of Sprodburgh a hows, v acres of land, and vj and a half acres of wood, after the decease of me, my wyff, and my god doughter Margare Forman, and the church wardens of o^r^ lady church of Sprodburgh to have the over syght and rule of the said hows, landes and woddes for ever, the which I and other had of Agnes Hall, doughter and heire of Wilkoke Forman, and as for the half of the third part of one Raw called Scherome Raw I will my doughter and thare heires of it for ever, for because I have other thre partes the which I purchessed of Philippe Blome and Byrd. Item I will y^t^ Cecille, my wife, have the thirdes of all my guddes not be bequeith for the ryght of her thirdes. I will y^t^ John Barkar have iij silver spones, and more over if Rychard Everyngham or Elyn Wykerslay, lait wyff of John Wykerslay demaund of me William Wentworth, or my executors, the xl li. y^t^ John Wykeslay shuld have syned after his deceasse of his owen landes, as more playnly appereith by a pare of indentors maid betwixt the said John Wykeslay, Sir John Everyngham and Thomas Everyngham of the one partie, and me William Wentworth on the other partie, and if the said some of xl li. can nott be defeattid by the law and gud consciens, then I will y^t^ it be takyn of such landes as I have putt in feoffment as more playnly apperith in a deid. Item I will y^t^ Cecille, my wife, have one acre of medow in the Aueres leis for terme of her lyeff. Item I will y^t^ William Leuett and William Coken be my executors, to whom I gyff all my guddes not bequethed for to dispose for my saull as they thynk the best. These beyn witnes, Robert Strey, chapleyn, Rychard Crawsthoy, and John Fythwilliam.

[Proved 11 Nov. 1531.]

XX. THE WILL OF GEORGE WASTENES, ESQ., OF HEADON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 115.]

Sept. 12, 1522. George Wastenes,* of Hedon (Headon), co. Notts., esq. To the parish churche of Hedon a chales, price x s., also a sute of vestymentes, price v marces. Also an altar clothe accordyng to the same sute, price xiij s. iiij d. Also a clothe bifore Mary and Jhu for Lentyn season, price xiij s. iiij d. Toward the panttyng of the roodlofte or els for other an ornamente in the saide churche xl s. Also for the anorment and light of our ladie of pitie in the said churche xiij s. iiij d. For a light before our lady at the high altar iij s. iiij d. For the upholdyng of the payntyng of Sancte Georgie in the said churche and for his ornamentes v marces. Also I will that their shall a prest syng vij yeres for the welth of my sall in the forsaid churche, havyng yerely for his wadge vij marces. Mentions his sones, Georgie, Bertilmew and John, and daus. Dorothe and Jane, wife Agnes.

[Proved 8 Oct. 1534.]

XXI. THE WILL OF JOHN HOLDSWORTH, OF ASHDAY, PARISH OF HALIFAX.

[Reg. Test. xi. 158.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Quarto die mensis Maij, 1528, I, John Haldesworthe,† of the parishe of Halifax, within the townshipe of Southorome, seike in bodie, hool in mynde and of good remembrance, do orden and make my last will. First, I give and bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, to his blissed moder and virgyn our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie sanctes in hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the parishe churche of Sancte John Baptiste at Halifax. And I bequeath to Sir Xpofer Haldesworthe my son xx s., to William Brooke, of Hipperon, my son in lawe xx s., and the reversion of all my hoole goodes, both moveable and not moveable, to Gilbert Haldesworthe and to William Haldesworthe my sones, which said goodes I will be equaly divided unto the said Gilbert and William,

* This surname was originally Gastneys, or Gastneis. A pedigree of the family is given in the *Visitations of Notts.*, 1569 and 1614 (Harleian Society), p. 67; also in the first *Visitation of Notts.*, by Norroy, in 1530 (Tonge's *Visitation*, Surtees Society, p. 8.)

† The Holdsworths, or Haldesworths, were at Ashday, or Astey, in Southowram, in the parish of Halifax, from a very early period. They continued in the male line there till 1746. The estates, after passing through the Drakes and Pigotts, were only recently sold.

at the discretion, counsell and advisement of foure credible neighburghes and frendes, to be indifferently electe and takyn by the said Gilbert and William. I make the said Gilbert and William my executors. I make Richard Haldesworthe my son to be supervisor of this my last will. Thies beyng wittenes, Ric. Heyley, of Southorome, Edward Kent and John Mawde, otherwise called Jenkyn Mawde and Edward Stokkes.

[9 July, 1535. Commission granted to Sir John Helewell, cantarist, at Elland. Proved 31 July, 1535.]

XXII. THE WILL OF SIR ROBERT ASKE, OF AUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 554.]

16 March, 1529. Robert Aske,* knyght. I give my saull to Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and all the Sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the quere of Aughton churche beside my wif. Also I will a stone be laide of hus bothe, and an other of my father and my mother, and an other of my suster Haistinges, if so be that the goodes of my saide suster may be gotten of the executors of Sir Georgie Haistinges, as it aperithe by writinge. Also I will my mortuarie be taken of my quike goodes. Also I will ther be fyve pounds wax set over me at the day of my buriall. Also I will that the churche of Haughtone have x s. iiij d., whereof vj s. viij d. be warede in torches, and the residue to the upholdynge of the rode light, whiche was the last will of my mother. Also I bequeathe to the upholdinge of the rode light xl d. Also I bequeathe to my towe sonnes, Christofer Aske and Robert Aske, all suche landes as I have graunted to them by writinge for terme of ther lyves. Also I give to my sone William Monkton his fee, that he hath of me at this day, unto suche tyme as elder John and yonger John Monkton be decessed, and it to be paid at the pleasor of my sone John. Also I bequeathe to John Aske, sone of my brother Georgie Aske, v li., and it to be paide in v yeres, and if it forton the said John Aske to die within the said yeres, the payment to be paide no longer. Also I bequeathe to John Aske of Bubwithe, Philipe Riche and Rauf Bayley, all such

* The will of his grandmother Margaret Aske was printed in *Testamenta Ebor.* ii. 275, and that of his father in vol. v. 123. The testator married Elizabeth, daughter of John Lord Clifford. His *Inquisition post mortem* was taken 23 Henry VIII., when his son John was said to be thirty years old. He was the father of the unfortunate Robert Aske, the leader in the Pilgrimage of Grace, who was executed 21 February, 1530–1.

feis as I have graunted them by patent. Also I will after my decesse, every one of my servauntes have ther quarter wages, and my yomen an other quarter wadges besides that quarter. I make John Aske, my sone and here, my executor. Witnes of this will, Richarde Aske, John Pecke, Robert Robinson, Sir Roberte Hessal, and the vicare of Aughton, with other moo, as Anthony Aske.

[Proved 16 March, 1541-2.]

XXIII. THE WILL OF MARGARET NEWBY, OF KIRKFENTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 34.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvjth day of Junij, 1531, I, Margaret Newbe,* of Kirkfenton, wedoo, hole of mynd and of god memorie, intending to be and contenewe the servaunt of God, makes my last will. First I bequeathe my sall to God Almyghtie, and to the gloriose Virgen o^{r} Lady Sancte Marie, and to all the blissid companye of heven, and my bodye to be buried within the chancell of Sanct Michell, in the parishe churche of Fenton, afforesaide. Also I bequeath to the hie alter ij s., also to the sepultur v s., also to our lady of pety iij s. iiij d., also to my parishe churche iiij torchis, also to the iiij men that beris the said torches to the churche be fore my corse the day of my beriall, every one of them iiij d. Also I witt unto a honest prest, for to syng one holl yere in the said chancell of Sancte Michaell, within the parishe churche of Fenton, for the helthe of my saull and all Cristen sawlis, vij s. Also I witt Esabell Lowde, my doughtor, my best girdell, a silver pece, a grett bras pott, a pare of lyne shettes, and a pare of herden shettes, a towell and a borde clothe. Also I witt Margret Wawdyngton v s., ij silver spones, a cobbord, and one pare of corall beades with sylver gawdies. Also I witto Elsabethe Edling xl s. The residewe of all my goodes not bequeathid, my dettes paid, I give to Francis Newby, my sone, whome I make my full executor. Wittenes herof, Sir William Fenteman, Wm. Thorpe, Robert Docley and Thomas Cowper. Also I humble desire my sone, William Newbe, to take the pane to be the supervisor of this my will, and for his pane takyng I bequeath hym vij s. and vj d.

[Proved 18 March, 1531-2.]

* There is a pedigree of Newby, of North Fenton, in *Glover's Visitation*, Foster edition, p. 313.

XXIV. THE WILL OF THOMAS NEVILE, OF SANCTON

[Reg. Test. xi. 446.]

In the name of the Fader, the Sone, and the Holie Gost. I, Thomas Nevill,* of Santon, in the countie of Yorke, beinge of holl and goode memorie, the xxiij day of Julij 1531, makith my testament. First, I bequeathe my saull to Allmightie God, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Santon, or els wher it shall pleas God that I departe of this world to his mercie. Item I will that a trentall of messes be songe for my saull and all Cristen saules, immediately after my departure, in the same churche wher I shall forton to be buried. Item I will that one honest prest, and of goode disposicon, do singe for my saull, my father's, my moder's, and the saules of my ij wyves, Alice and Jane, for all the saules that I ame bownde in conscience to cause to be prayde for, and for all Cristen saules, the space of one yere in the parishe church of Santon, and he to have v li. for his stipent wage, and he to fynde the brede and wyne. Item I bequeath to the hie altare of the parishe churche of Santon x s., and x s. to the kirke warkes for my tythes neclygentelie forgotten and in recompence of a mortuary. Item I will that ther be disposed at the day of my buriall xl s., and at my vij day xx s., in brede and money as they that orders for me thinketh most necessarie, and xl s. at my yeres day after ther discretion. Item I will that the iiij howses of freares at Beverlay, at Hull, have, iche of them, a mette barlie. Item I will to oure iiij mother churches, ich of them, xx d. Item I will that ther be geven to the churche warkes of Sancte Marie churche in Beverley v s. Item I will that a vestment be maide, either of my damaske gowne or my wifes damaske gowne, and geven to Sanct Margarettes churche in Lyncolnshire, at Kelesby. Item I will that ther be a vestment maid of my blake damaske gowne, and that to be gyven to the parishe churche of Corbrige wher my father and my uncle person liethe buried, to pray for my father saull, my mother saull, and all my goode frendes soulles, and for all Cristen saules. Item I will that ther be gyven to the parishe churche of Santon

* In the genealogy of the Langdale family, printed in the *Yorkshire Archæological Journal*, vol. xi., it is stated that Thomas Nevile married Alice, relict of Anthony Langdale, Esq., of Houghton. It would therefore seem probable that this was the testator, and that on account of this marriage he was living at Sancton, but to what branch of the Nevile family he belongs does not appear.

a vestment which I have lyenge her. Item I will that my messe boke be newe coveryd and geven to the parishe churche of Bywell wher I was cristenyd. Item I will that my executors pay unto Frauncys Nevyll, doughter of Leonarde Nevill, my brother, xx marc, whiche I receaved of hir parte, at suche tyme as she shalbe maried, or when her frendes do require it of them, so that they be sufficientely discharged of it. Item I will that ther be a yerlie obit done in the parishe churche of Santon for me and my ij wives, as that day I departe of this world to the mercie of God, at the whiche obit the vicare to have iiij d. and the clerke ij d., and ij d. in brede and aill to the ringers, and j d. to be offeride at messe, and that John my son cause this to be done, and if it please God to take hyme to his mercie. Item I will that they that hath my lande in the towne of Santon kepe it. Item I will that Isabell my doughter have xl markes of my goodes for hir childes parte to marie hire withall, and that myne executors provide suche a mariage for hyr as that xl marke is able to get hyre, and myne executors to finde hir to she be maried, withoute any deduction of the said xl marke, bet delyver hir the holl some when she shalbe maried, receavinge a sufficient quitance. I will that ther be a preste fownde to singe one holl yere for the lorde Thomas Savadge saull,* whome I was moche bownde to, in recompence of suche gowdes as I hade of hyme. Item I will that ther be xl s. paid to the next of Thomas Marlays frendes of Howdenshire in recompence of a bargan betwixt hyme and me. Item I will that ther be xl s. paid unto Crages wif that dwelte at Bradley haull, or to the next of hir frendes, if she be deide, in satisfaction of a distres that I toke of hyr. Item I will that one of my yonge horse that is worthe xx s. to be gyven to one . . . . . haull of Warter, or to the next of his freyndes, in satisfaction of one horse whiche I hade of hyme. Item I will that ther be paid xiij s. iiij d. to Thomas Pettensones wif of Chereburton, or to the next of hir frendes, whiche I borowed of hyme. Item I will that myne executors content and agre with Thwynge of Rotsay, one of the executors of Marmaduke Pateson, sometyme dwellinge in Beverley, for suche dett as I was owynge the saide Marmaduke when he died, which as I suppose is not past iiij nobles. Item I will that myne executors enquere for the frendes of one Alison Dowson, sometyme my servaunt, and pay to theme ij s., whiche I

* Probably Thomas Savage, Archbishop of York, 1501–1507.

was owynge to her. Item I will that xx s. be paid to the next frendes of one Thomas Luenes wif of Eshe. Item I will that v s. be disposed for the saull of Roberte Mayson, as in dowinge of messes and of other charitable warkes, for parte of his wadges that I was owinge when he died to hyme. Item I will that ther be x s. paide to the churche wardens of Estrington to the churche warkes, in satisfaction of suche tithes as I was behinde withall ther, when I dide occupie gressinge of cattall within that parishinge, besechinge them that I may be prayde for. Item I will that John my sone take Umfray, my brother Lancelote sone, into his gidinge and custodie, and kepe hyme at scoll to he be able to gete his lyvinge by servyce, or other wise, and then to put hyme to some goode servyce, or els to kepe hyme hym selfe like his nere kynsman, and he do not this, that they supervisors of this my last will se that he have xx s. in a yere assigned of some parcell of my land, wher they thinke best duringe the terme of x yere. Item where as my moveable goodes and cattalles will not performe this some, I will that all my landes be putt in feoffament to certan feoffes namede in a dede of feoffament accordinge to the lawe and for the performance of these premisses, and then to the use of John my sone and his heres for ever, whome I will shalbe my full executors. I gyve hyme all the residue bothe of my goodes and my landes. I will John Morre my servaunte have his ferme that he dwellith one, and the ferme that Samson dwellith one, the terme of his lif. Item I will that John my sone, if he dwell not in my house and ferme at Santon, let some honest husbande may have it in ferme, that will upholde and kepe it in goode repacon to he come to it hyme self. Item I will that my cousyn William Carnaby and my cosyn Ranalde his sone be the supervisors of this my last will, to se that my sone who is myne only executor performe all articles in this my last will.

[Proved 29 July, 1540.]

XXV. THE WILL OF RICHARD BINGHAM, OF CARCOLSTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 2*b*.]

Dec. 17, 1531, Richarde Byngham, of Carcolston, gent. My bodie to be beried within the parishe churche of Our Ladie of Carcolstone, nygghe unto the place where my fader lithe. For a trentall to be song for my saull x s. To the hie altar for tithes forgettyn xij d. To the vicar to pray for me x s. Also I will that Margarete my wif shall have

my wynde mylne, with the profittes thereof, for terme of hir lyve, if she kepe hir sole and unmariede. And if the said mylne with tempestes of wedder or stormes happen to be blowne done, than I will that my said wif be not chardged to buylde the same agayne, but at hir pleasour. Margarete, my wif, during the terme of xxvj yeres, to take of Thomas Byngham, my son and heire, to th'use of my childerne, foure marces of sterling money to be paid yerely, and for defalte to entre and destrayne in my maner place or hedhouse of Carcolstone, whiche foure marces and wynd myln doo appere reserved by the above-namyd (*sic*) Richard Bingham, in one pare of indentours of covenantes of marisdgie of Thomas Byngham, sone and heire to the saide Richarde, bering date Sept. 26, 21 Hen. VIII (1529). Also I will the churchewardens of Carcolston shal take ij of my best hyves of bees and them to kepe, and the yerely profitte of them shall yerely fynde a waxe light afore the blissed sacrament of the altar, as long as they will indure and continue. To Margarete, my said wif, all my goodes and cattalles. Wittenesses, William Warde, Robert Alvie, and Thomas Warde. Also I will, over and besides the articles comprised in my graunde will, that Margarete my wife shal have tymbre sufficient for hir for plowes, cartes and waynes. Also I will that my cloke, with the bell (*sic*), the side borde in the haull with the tristillis sett in the ground, and a pare of yrn galos in the chymnaye, doo remayne as heireloomes. Sir John Markeham, knyght, survyour. Thies beyng wittenesses of every article in this present scedule or codicill to the said graunde will annexed, Henry Byngham and Thomas Kem.

[Proved 31 Jan. 1531-2.]

XXVI. THE WILL OF ROGER WILBERFOSSE, OF GARRABY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 12.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiij^th^ daye of January, the yere of our Lorde God 1531, I, Roger Wilberfosse, of Garwaldby, with a hoole mynde and of good remembrance, makes my will in maner and forme foloing. First, I bequeathe my saull to Almyghtie God, and to our blissid ladie, and to all the sanctes in heyyn, and my bodie to be buried where it please God best. Item I witto my parishe kirke of Kirkby Hundelfdale vj s. viij d. Item I witto the parishe kirke of Foklington vj s. viiij d. I witto the iiij moder kirkes, to every on of them, ij s. Item I witto Sir John Wharome, parsone of the churche, x s. Item I

witto every prest beyng at my beriall iiij d., and every parishe clerke ij d., and every scolar that synges j d. Item I witto William Chamberlayne and Elisabeth his wif vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Item I witto Henry Wilberfosse my sone too of my best gownes, ij dubletts best I have, and jerkyn of velvett. Item I witto Roberte Symson my servaunte v li. Item I witto Margarete Wilson xl s. Item I witto the parishe kirke of Wilton iij s. iiij d. Item I witto the parishe kirke of Bugthorpe iij s. iiij d. Item I witto every servaunte that I have, to every on of them, xij d. Item I witto Jane Teshe xx s. over and besides xx s. of hir owne that I do owe hir. Item I witto Mr. Habill, prest, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d., to syng for my saull at the kirke where my bodie shalbe beried, for the spacie of one yere. And I make my executors my cosyng Cristofer Newporte, unto whom I gif the rule of my sone Henry Wilberfosse and all his parte, and to be rulid fully after hym my said cosing Newporte, and also I make my wif executrix, William Chambrelayne and Henry Wilberfosse, and they to dispose for my saull as they thinke best. And I witto my said cosing Newporte a blake stag stonyd and xx s. Also I witto William Chamberlayne other xx s., and the residue of my parte of the goodes I gif and bequeath unto the said Henry Wilberfosse, if he wilbe ordered and ruled by my said cosyng Newporte, my wif, and my son Chamberlayne, and if he will not, never to have on peny of it, bot it to be disposid and geven to his suster Elisabeth xiij li. xiij s. iiij d., and the residue to be disposed for my saull by the discretion of my executor. Item I bequeath to my nepevewe Sir Peter Wilberfosse my lanner and a cople of spanyelles, and to my nepevewe Roberte Wilberfosse on blake stag. Item to Cristofer Wilberfosse fyve you shepe, and to his wif fyve sheipe hoges. Item to the said Christofore on medley gowne furryd with blake lame. Item to Roger Wilberfosse his sone a you and a lame. Item to William Wilberfosse, son of Robert Wilberfosse, a you and a lame. Item I witto Roberte Hodgeson vj s. viij d., Peter Robynson vj s. viij d. Item I witto vj li. xiij s. iiij d., the whiche my cosyng Newporte, my wif, and my sone Henry Kudwith, to whome it shulde be paid unto. Item I witto John Nottingham wif, late widdo, a mette of peise. Thes men beyng wittenes, Cristofer Wilberfosse, Roberte Wilberfosse, Thomas Hawteclif, Edwarde Wodmanpole, Nicholas Auger, gentilman, Sir John Wharome, parsone of Kirkby, Sir Laurence Ludderington, vicar of Geveydale, Roberte Symson, Richarde Smyth, wth other.

[Proved 31 May, 1532.]

XXVII. THE WILL OF MARGERY MARKHAM, OF HAWTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 29d.]

July 16, 1582. Margere Markham,* of Hawton. To be beryed in the churche of the Trinitie of Hawlton. I bequeath in the name of my mortuarye after the custome of the countrye. To Filipe Markham, my doughter, my best bed, with all hynghynges in the same chambre, ij Flaunder chistes, iiij par of lennen chettes, and iiij par of herden, vj napkyns of plane clothe and vj of diapar, ij diapar bordclothis, a diapar towell, a mydlyng bordclothe and ij herden, vij sylver sponys, a sylver saulte, ij of the best whisynges and one of the seconde, xvj pecis of pewther, iiij candilstikes, and all the brewyng vessell, ij cownteris with their carpites, iij charis, two formys with ther bankers, and all the remaynt that pertenis to my body, a par of amber bedis, a par of beades of golde, to be devyded betwixt hir and my sone Robert, also the best cawlderon and ij of the best brass pottes, iiij kye and xxij[ti] shepe. To Alis Markham my doughter the second fetherbede with all that pertenis therto, also iij par of lennen chettes and iij par of herden, a dyapar bourdclothe, a dyapar towell, iij medlyng bordclothis, iij diapar napkyns, and iij of lennen, iij sylver sponys, a goblite of sylver, a par of gett beddis, one of the best whisinges, and one of the second, the second pane and ij braspottes, viij peces of pewther, ij candilstikes, iiij kye, x shepe, and a chist. To Elizbethe Markham my doughter the therd fetherbed, with all that longis therto, ij par of lynnen chettes, and ij par of herden, a diaper bordclothe, a diaper towell, iij napkyns of lynnen and iij of diaper, iiij silver sponis and a goblitt of silver, ij pannes, ij braspottes, one of the best whisynges, another of the seconde, viij pecis of pewther, and ij candilstikes, a chist, iij kye, xx[ti] shepe, and the wortepan, a par of whitt bedes. To Philip, Alis and Elsabeth, every one of them iij towels, all my oxen, kore and mears, wanys, plowes, with all that pertenis to them, and all my other good not bequethed I gyve to Robert, Elis, Henry and Jeden equell emongys them. I make Robert Markham my sone and Phillip my daughter my executors, and Sir Jo[illegible] Markham knyght, supervisor of this my last will.

* [illegible] Ralph Longford and the second wife of [illegible] of Gotham [illegible] she pre deceased, having by him thirteen [illegible] Pedigrees of Markham may be found in the *Visitations of Notts.*, [illegible] 1614 (Harl. Soc. [illegible]), in Thoroton's *History of Notts.*, 1677; in Markham [illegible] *History of the Markham Family*, 1854; and elsewhere.

Thies beyng wittenes, William Dughty, William Hopkynson, William Allcoke, William Wrighte, and others moo.

[Proved 10 Oct. 1532.]

XXVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT BROWNE, OF NEWARK, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 21*d.*]

Sept. 4, 1532, 32 Henry VIII. Robert Browne, of Newerk opon Trent, esquyer. First, I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, to our ladie Sancte Mary his moder, and to all the sanctes of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the parishe churche of Sancte Marie Maglen in Newarke, afore the ymadge of the Holie Trinitie, theire as Agnes my wiff late was buried. Also I bequeath for my mortuary as the lawe and custome shall requyre. Also as tochyng the disposycon of my goodes and cattalles, the whiche shall remayne in my possession, not yeven nor bequeathed, when it shall please God to calle me to his mercy, I will that my executors shall dispose them for the helthe of my saull in such goodes (*sic*) workes and almos dedes, as shalbe thought most beneficiall for the helthe of my saull after theire discretions, and especially to make satisfaccon to every persone or persones that can dulie or lawfully prove that I haue done to them any hurte, injurie or wrong, wherfore of right and good conscience they ought to have amendes. That then to all suche persones I will my executors make satisfaccon in dischardgeyng of my saull, as they will answer afore God. To Robert Markeham my godsone vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To William Molyneux my godsone iij li. vj s. viij d. To Sir Richard Thomson my chapleyne, imedeatly after my decesse, a hoole yere wadges and xl s. for his meate and drynke and a gowne. To Richard Edingsels my servaunte, imedeatly after my decesse, a hoole yere wadges and xl s., and thre yerdes of broide clothe, price xiij s. iiij d.* Provided always that if it forton hereafter any persone or persones to sue to my executors for any restitucon to be maid to them, that then I will that my executors opon a reasonable prove, without any long delayng or deferryng, make restitucon to the partie or parties soo suyng by the good and charitable councell and advise of Frere Gabriell, or the fader of the house of the Freres Observauntes of Newarke for the tyme beyng, to

* Similar bequests to Henry Byngham, Briane Johnson, Thomas Coke, Robert Dicconson, Richard Stacy, John Walker, John Jolicokes, Thomas Stokeham, Rauf Cockett, William Empson, Hugh Fletcher, Henry Fawconer, and John Ogge, all his servants.

the whiche house and covente I bequeath to pray for my saull and al Cristen saulles [illegible] every weke, so long as my executors or any of them have any of my goodes in their handes undispoed. Executors, Maister William Holgill, maister of the Savoye in Lincoln, Henry Sutton, of Averham, esquyer, Richarde Bevercotes, gentilman, Sir Henry Knyvesmyth, vicar of Kynnalton, and Sir John Lounds, chapleyne, to whome I give, and to every of them, ten poundes of lawfull money of England, excepte to Maister William Holgill, to whome I have yeven a basyn and an ewer of silver. To the house of Observantes of Newarke a fedderbed. Also I humbly requyre in the wave of charitie and for the love of God the right honorable and my singlar good lord, the lord George, erle of Shrewsbery, to take the payn when nede shall requyre, to survey and oversee my testament and last will to be performyd accorddyng to the tenour thereof, to whome I bequeathe as a poore remembrances three bolles of silver parcell gelt with one cover to the same belongyng, with my prayers.

PROFFAMENTUM EUSDEM ROBERTI BROWNE.

Reciting that by an indenture tripartite he had enfeoffed Robert Markham, esq., Henry Sutton, of Averham, esq., William Molyneuxe, of Hawton, gent., Richard Bevercotes, of Newark, gent., Richard Lucas, of the same, gent., Lambert Watson, Robert Anson, Thomas Adwyn, William Philipott, William Brynkeley, Hughe Gelston, Roberte Jacson, William Yong, John Fulwod, Nicholas Tyxton, Henry Wise, John Thakker, and Thomas Spaymyng [illegible], all of Newark, yeomen, in his manor of Kynersall, alias Kirsall, with 16 acres of meddowe lying together in Kellome Yngs, and in his lands and tenements, etc., freehold or charterhold, in the townes and feldes of Newarke, Northgate nyghe Newarke, Balderton, Codyngton, Heidon, Wiston, Upton, Wynthorpe and Hicklyng, or elsewhere in the county of Nottingham, to hold for the performance of his will, he [illegible] the following uses, to himself for life without impeachment of waste, rem. as to the lands, etc., in Newarke, Northgate nyghe Newarke, Balderton, Codyngton, and in the fields of the same, except two tenements and a garden, [illegible] was called the Boore, (which lay in Castellgate in Newarke, and the gardyn being in Newarke, the which was late in the holding of Thomas Freisby, and the other tenement lay in Myllnegate in Newarke, the which was late in the holding of John Whernby, to the intent that his feoffees should pay to the vicar of Newarke for the

tyme beyng, and to his successors, vicars of Newarke, or in his or their defaulte, to hym that should have the name of the alderman of the Trinity gild there for the time being, the rents and profits of these parcels for nineteen years, to the intent that the same issues, revenues and profits should be employed, bestowed and spent to the use of the commonwealth of the town of Newark, whether it should be to the reparation of the church there, or any good works to be done in the said town of Newark, as mending of highways, as should be thought most expedient from time to time by the discretion of his executors, or by the vicar of Newark, or the alderman of the Trinity Gild. If his will could not be made sure, his executors, or the vicar of Newark, or the prior of the monastery of the Holy Trinity of Bevall, should sell the property, and the money thereof coming distribute and dispose for the benefit of his soul and for the commonwealth of the said town of Newark. As to the two tenements and garden before excepted, to the use of Elizabeth Cade, widow, late wife of William Cade, gent. As to the manor of Kynersall, *alias* Kirsall, and the 16 acres of meadow in Kellome Ynges, the feoffees were to suffer, the principal and scholars of the King's Hall and college of Brasynnose in Oxford, to receive the rents for 19 years after his decease for the performance of his promise to his lord, William Smyth, late bishop of Lincoln, his especial good lord, and for the wealth of his soul and his own. If the said manor could not be made sure by the law to the said principal and scholars, his executors were to sell, and the money thereof coming employ, bestowe and distribute for the wealth and benefit of the said hall or college of Brasynnose (22*b*). As to his free or charter lands, etc., in Heidon, Weston, Upton, Wynthorpe and Hickelyng, to permit the dean and chapter of Lincoln, or the masters of our Lady's works of the cathedral church of Lincoln, to receive the rents for 19 years towards the reparation and mending of our Lady's works in the said cathedral church of Lincoln. It may not be made sure to the dean and chapter, the property to be sold and the money to be bestowed and distributed for the wealth and benefit of his soul towards of the reparation and mending of our Lady's work.

Reciting that by a deed bipartite he had enfeoffed Richard Bevercotes, of Newark, gent., Richard Odingsels, of Eperstone, gent., Henry Byngham, of Carlby, in the county of Lincoln, gent., John Thakker, of Newark, mercer, and John Walker of the same, yeoman, in a tenement in

Milnegate in Newark, a close in Potterdike in Newarke, and a dovecote in the same close, which he had lately purchased of Henry Bradshawe, son and heir of Thomas Bradshaw, late of Newark, and of 2 messuages, 128 acres of arable land, 15 acres of meadow, 19 acres of pasture, in the town and fields of Kellome, lately purchased of John Kellome, son and heir apparent of Robert Kellome, gent., to hold for the performance of his will, the said Robert Browne now willed that Richard Bevercottes and his cofeoffees should stand enfeoffed of the premises to the following uses, to the use of himself for life without impeachment of waste, and after his death as to the property in Milnegate, and the close and dovecote, to allow (23) Sir John Lound, his chaplain, to receive the rents for 19 years, and at the end of the term or within two years from the same, to sell the property, and the money thereof coming to dispose as he should think most expedient for the benefit and wealth of his soul and all Christian souls. As to the property in Kellome, to the use of Henry Sutton of Averham, esq., for ever, subject however to a power of redemption by John Kellome on payment of 40 li., within seven years of the testator's death.

Reciting that Robert Markeham and his cofeoffees were enfeoffed in all his lands in Farnesfeld, Edingley, Osmundthorpe and Halome, for the performance of his will, he willeth that they should stand seised thereof to his use for life, then to suffer for 19 year the chapter of the college church of Our Blessed Lady of Southwell, or the church masters, or the masters of Our Lady's works of the said college church, to take the rents, to the intent that the same should be employed, bestowed and spent about the reparations and amending of Our Lady's works in the said college church of Southwell; the feoffees to make sure, and if unable, to sell and employ the money for the wealth and benefit of his soul towards the reparations and amending of our Lady's works in the said college church of Southwell.

He gave and bequeathed to the chapter of the said college church his copyhold lands and tenements in Farnesfold, Edingley, Osmondthorpe and Halom, the rents to be employed and spent about the same object (23b). "Also I will that all other my copie hold landes within the towne and lordshipe of Newarke, or els where within the counties of Notingham and Lincoln, be maid sure to every one of my servauntes and to other accordding to surrenders by me of the same maide, and as by this my last will herafter playnely shall appere, that is to witt." To John Ogge,

according to the custom of the manor a tenement in Wynthorpe, two toftsteads with five oxgangs of land, in the holding of John Smyth. To John Ogge, son of the said John Ogge, a tenement with an oxgang and half of land and meadow in Balderton. To Brian Johnson, a tenement in Wynthorpe, in the holding of Thomas Hakworth, with three oxgangs of land and meadow. To Bartilmoo Johnson, son of the said Bryane, a tenement in Wynthorpe, in the holding of Thomas Cundie, with two oxgangs of land. To Thomas Coke *alias* Ellyngton, a tenement in Langforth, in the holding of Richard Knyvesmythe, with an oxgang of land and meadow, and a tenement in Balderton, in the holding of John Green, with two oxgangs of land and meadow. To William Cade, two tenements in Farndon, in the holding of Thomas Greyves. To Robert Deiconson *alias* Hogge, a tenement in the Pament Stede, in the holding of Thomas Wilson. To Nicholas Tixton, a shope in the said Pament Stede, late in the holding of George Thomson. To Henry Byngham, a shop in the Pament, in the holding of Humfrey Cade. To Richard Stacy, a close in Coddyngton, in the holding of Sir John Borowe, chantry prest there. To Richard Odyngselles, a tenement in Northgate nyghe Newarke, late in the holding of John Ward, and 20 acres of land, meadow and pasture, in the holding of John Wilkynson. To Richard Bevercotes, a tenement in Marton, in the county of Lincoln, in the holding of John Brown. Wittenes, William Hogekynson, alderman of the Trinitie Gilde of Newarke, William Philipote, Hughe Kelsterne, John Thakker, Roberte Jacson, and William Yonger.

[Proved 16 Dec. 1532.]

XXIX. THE WILL OF JOHN MERING, OF FRYSTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 48.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The first daye of Januarye, 1532. I, John Meryng*, beyng of a gud mynd and perfette memory, makith this my last testament. First, I bequeathe my saull to God Allmyghty, and to his moder our ladye Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, my bodye to be buryed in the parishe churche of Watter Fryston. I giffe unto my curatte x s., unto my said curatt to pray for my saull iij s. iiij d., to the anorment of the hyghe aulter at Fryston xx d., to the churche warke of Fryston xiij s.

* There is a pedigree of this family in Glover's *Visitation* in which it states that the testator was the fourth son of Thomas Mering, a younger brother of the family of Mering, Notts.

iiij d., to reparacon of the churche bryge of Water Fryston iij s. iiij d. I will that ther be geven in almose the day of my buryall or affore, by myne executors, to every pore body where thie thynke best within the parishyng of Fryston by Water j d., and to every pore bodye in lyke maner in Lenton to have one stroke of peese. I will that vj s. viij d. be geven to pore folkes within the parishyng of Broderton, to reparacon of Ferybryge vj s. viij d., to every one of my servauntes over and besydes there wages xij d., to every curate sayng *mes of requiem* with *placebo* and *dirige* the day of my beriall for my saull vj d., and to every other prest iiij d., and every clarke j d., unto Sir John Robinson, prest, to teach my children, x s., to every childe of my brother John Wakefeld one yew and one lame, unto everie one of my susters Poople childer one yewe and one lame, to every one of John Rissheworth childer one yewe and one lame, to Anne Poopley my suster a yoke of oxen and a quarter barlye mault, to John Poopley my doublett of sattan, unto Thomas Wakefeld my dublett of chamlett, unto Thomas and to Margaret Hayforth his suster to be devyded betwixt them xl shepe, and to ether of them one whye and one stott, to the said Thomas Haiforth a fether bed, ij coverlettes, one blankett, a boulster, a pellow; to Margrett Hayfforth a matteres, ij coverlettes, a blankett, a boulster, a pellow; to the said Thomas and Margaret ij pare of harden shettes, ij pare of hempe tere, and ij pare of lynan shettes, evenly to be devyded betwixt theme, ij oxen and ij kie; unto William Fryston my bay nagge, unto Jennett Hoppay one kowe, unto my brother Robert Gascoynge a gown clothe of blake, and the residew therof I gif unto my mother. Item I bequeath the said Robert Gascoigne one face of foxe fure, unto my moder a bay nage, unto my brother John Wakefeld one yerde of velvet, unto my sister Wakefeld a gray amblyng nagge with a whitt face, unto my maister, Sir William Gascoigne thelder, knyght, fower rialls of golde, besuchyng hym for God sake to be gud maister unto my childer, unto my sone John Meryng, after my disseace, all my reght of my take I have for terme of yeres of the graunt and lese of Sir William Gascoigne thelder, knyght, of and in the manor or place of Wheldale. The residew of my gudes I gif theme unto John Meryng, Robert Meryng and Nicholes Meryng, my children, except v li. whiche I gif unto Nicholes Ellis, whome I make myne executor. And also I make John Meryng, Robert, and Nicholes Meryng, myne executors,

with the said Nicholes Elles. Thies beyng wittenes, John Robynson, prest, Xpofer Bradford, William Fryston, gentilman, Thomas Illyngworth, and other moo.

[Proved 4 Feb. 1532-3.]

XXX. THE WILL OF JOHN THORPE, OF THORPE, NEXT WELWICK.

[Reg. Test. xi. 135.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xth daie of Auguste, in the yeare of our Lord God 1533. I, John Thorpe,* of Thorpe, nexte Welwicke in Holdernes, esquier, being holle in mynde and of good remembrance, makethe my last will. Furste, I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, and to our ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the hollye companie of heven, my bodie to be beried in the church yerde of Welwicke aforsaide, of the northe side of the quere. Item I bequethe for my mortuarie as the law requirethe. Item I witto to the sacrament of the alter for my tithes and offringes forgoton iij s. iiij d. Item I bequethe to every annuall light in the forsaide churche xij d., to aither of the frears in Beuerlaw xij d. a peice, to aither of the frears in Hull xij d. a peice. Item to Issabell my doughtor to hir mariage xl marcs, if she be rulede aftre my ffeoffes, orels never a pennye, that is to witte, John Constable, theldre, knyght, Xpofer Hilyerde, knight, Richard Hilyarde, bachelare of divinitie, Waltere Grymstone, theldre, esquier, and Peter Frothingham, gentilman. Item I bequethe to Margarete my doughter to hir mariage xl marces in like maner. Item I will that my saide coofeffes according to my dede of feoffament shall taike and receve all the rentes and profittes as thaie shall come and groue of all my landes in Mare and Biltone, unto suche tyme as all the forsaide sume of cxl marces be fullie recoverede. The residewe of my goodes I geve to William Thorpe my son and heire whome I make my executor, that he dispoise for my soule and for the soules of my awncetors and of all Cristen soules. Witnes, Cristofer Hilyarde, knight, Richard Hilyarde, clerke, John Spicer, vicare of Welwicke, with mony other moo.

[Proved 13 Aug. 1534.]

* Son of Stephen Thorpe, of Thorpe, whose will was proved at York, 13 June, 1503, by Isabel, sister of John Constable, of Halsham. His descendants appeared at the *Visitations* of 1584 and 1666.

XXXI. THE WILL OF DAME MARGARET BOYNTON, OF BARMSTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 202.]

In the name of God, Amen. The seconde daye of Septembre in the yeare of o^r Lord God 1533, I, dame Margarete Boynton,* of Barneston in Holdernes, vowes, of hole mynde and good memorye, makes thys my last will. Fyrste, I bequeathe and comende my saule unto Almyghtye God my maker and redemer, to oure blessed ladye Saincte Marye, and to all the celestyall companye of heven, and my bodie to be beryed within the churche of Barneston, orels in the churche within the paryshing, where it shall fortune me to departe frome thys mortall lyfe, and I bequeathe for my mortuarye to be prayed for my beste quycke good. I wyll that my executors cause xxv^th messes of the fyve pryncypall woundes of our Lord to be saide for my saule the daye of my beryall, or within fyve dayes nexte aftre, without any further delaye. I will that my executors shall fynde iij preistes of good and honeste conversacone to synge for my saule, my husbande soule, and all Cristen soules, within the churche of Barneston, the space of one yeare, next aftre my discease, wiche three preistes I will shall be at the governance and ordre of myne executors. Also I will that every one of the said iij preistes, aswell one as odre of them, doe say at thende of every of there messes, *de profundis*, and every Frydaye duryng the said yeare to have one messe of Jhesu songe or said by one of the iij preistes, and at thende of every sex weikes *placebo* and *dirige cum obsequiis mortuorum*, and also every of the saide preistes in the said yeare to have xxv^th messes of the fyve woundes of Criste songe or saide by the iij prestes. Also I will that every of the iij preistes so synginge for my saule by the space of one yeare after my discease, as afor ys specyfyed, shall have for hys wages at ij usuall termes in the yeare vij markes sterling, to be contente and paide to them and every of theme by the handes of myn executors of my moveable goodes. Also where before thys tyme I have maid one certayne will and annexed the same to a deide of feoffamente beryng date the viij^th daye of Januarye, in the xv^th yeare of our soveraigne lorde king Henrie theight, maid to the reverende fader in

* Daughter and heiress of Martin de la See, of Barmston. The will of her eldest son, Thomas Boynton, was printed in *Testamenta Ebor.*, vol. v., p. 110, and that of another son Martin in the same volume, p. 90. Her daughter Isabel married Brian Tunstall.

God, Cuthbert Tunstall, then bushope of London, and now bushope of Durham, Marmaduce Tunstall, William Tunstall and John Cokett, I by thys my present last will utterlie adnulle, frusterate and make voide the said formare will and every thynge conteyned therein, so that now it ys my full mynde that thys my present will shall bee my trewe will, and that no will heretofore by me maid shallbee of any force and reputacon or takyn or allowed for my will. And also I will that the said reverende fader in God, Cuthbert Tunstall, Marmaduce Tunstall, and theyre heyres shall stand and bee seased of and in the manere of Barneston with Wynton, and all oder landes and tenementes with oder the premysses conteyned in the same deide of feoffamente to the performance of thys my laste will, and aftre thys my said laste will bee performed, then I wyll that the said feoffees and ther heyres shall stande and be seased of the manere of Barneston with Wynton to thuse of the heyres of my bodye lawfullye begotten for ever according to one awarde maid by Robert Constable, sergeante at the lawe, and oder, betwene Peter Hylyerd and Jane hys wyfe of thone partie and me the said Margerete of thoder partie, bering date the thirde daye of Marche, the twelte yeare of the reigne of kinge Herrye the vijth. It ys my will that my sone Mathewe Boynton ymmediatelie aftre my discease shall entre into the maners of Barneston and Wynton, with thappurtenance to occupie theme to hys owne use. I bequeathe to the monasterie of Nunappleton ij stottes, to my sone Marmaduce Tunstall a salte of sylver gilte with a cover, a standynge cuppe gilte with a cover, a goblet gilte with a cover, a standynge cuppe percell gilte with a cover, sex sylver spones and the best counterpoynte within my house for a bedde. To Anne Preston a cowe with a calfe; to my sone Briane Tunstall ij saltes of sylver percell gilte with a cover, xij sylver spones, a goblet gilte without a cover, and the half of my neite not bequested, and also the half of my oder quicke goodes, as horse, mayres, sheipe and swyne, and thoder half of my neite unbequested with the half of horses, sheipe and swyne, shalbe at the disposicon of myn executors, therwith to performe thys my present laste will, and them to dispose aftre there discrecons for my saule and oder necessarie expenses aboute my beryall and odre charges. I gyf to Isabell Tunstall my doughter all my graynes and corne beyng within my lathes, stackes and chamers or garners, and also I gyf unto Isabell Tunstall my doughter all my

householde stuffe not bequested. I gyf unto my said sone Briane Tunstall a flatte boule pounced. I gyf to the reverende fader in God, Cuthbert, bushope of Durham, a potte of sylver pounced with a cover and percell gilte; to Robert Waide, person of Lowthorp, a stagge. And I make thaforesaid reverende fader in God, Cuthbert, bushope of Durham, Issabell Tunstall my doughter, Marmaduke Tunstall, knyght, and Sir Robert Waide, person of Lowthorp, myn executors. I will that my servauntes, Robert Skelton and Martyne Johnson, have suche fees as I hathe gyven to ayder of theme during there lyves in the towne and feildes of Seton anye deide to the contrarye notwithstonding. In wittenes whereof I have sette my seale in the presence of Thomas Preston, gentleman, Peter Grymston, gentleman, James Hyrdson, yoman, Thomas Dolman, wittenesses.

[Proved 3 Aug. 1556.]

XXXII. THE WILL OF ROBERT PENNYMAN, OF STOKESLEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 69.]

28 Dec., 1533. Robert Pennyman,* of Stokslay. I bequeath my soull to God Allmyghtie, and to our blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holy companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried within the churche of Stokeslay. Also I gif to the churche of Stokeslay a anthiphonar in prynt. Also I will have one preste one yere. Also I will that Margret my wif have all my landes in Busbe and in Stokeslay duryng hir lif to bryng up my childeren, and after the decesse of Margret my wif I will that all my landes retorne holly to William my sone and here. Also I make Margret my wif and my children, William Pennyman, James Pennyman, Robert Pennyman, Jane Pennyman and Margerie Pennyman, my executors, to whome I gif the residew of my guddis, my dettes paid, and my will fulfillid, to the pleasor of God and profet of my saull. Theis witnessis, Sir James Bartrom and Richard Pennyman.

[Proved xi. March, 1533–4, by widow and children, William, James and Johan Pennyman, power reserved for Robert and Margerie.]

* Glover in his *Visitation* begins the pedigree of Pennyman with Thomas, of Stokesley, who had Ralph, who had by Jane Saltmarsh, Robert the testator. From the latter's eldest son William descended the Pennyman family of Ormesby, which continued in the male line till 1852, when Sir Wm. Henry Pennyman, the seventh baronet, died.

XXXIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS SAVILE, OF COPLEY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 149.]

In the name of God, Amen. The vth daie of Januarie in the yeare of o^{r} Lorde God 1533, I, Thomas Savell,* of Copley, in the parishe of Halifax, esquier, hoole of mynde and parfite memorie, makes my last will. First, I give my soule to God Almyghtie, to o^{r} blessed ladie Sancte Marie his mother, and all the companye of heven, and my bodie to bee beried within the parishe churche of Halifax, in suche a place as Alice my wif shall thinke moste expedient, orels in that parishe churche where so ever it please God to call me to his mercie, and in the honor of the moste blessed sacrament of the altare I give to the high altare of the said parishe churche one altare clothe, and to the reparacone of the highe waye in Shawbanke ij s., and I give to my sone and heire apparent, Henrie Saivell, my draught, vj oxen, my waynes, my ploughes, harraies, yokes and teames, with all other thinges therto belonginge, and all the haie that is in the oxhouse lathe, undre suche condicone that the said Henrie my sone shall give or paie to Alice my wif, his mother, vj li. xiij s. iv d. for the same, if the said Alice departe out of this worlde within the space of vj yeares then nexte after my decease, except the said Alice, of hir free will, will releise the said Henrie the said some of vj li. xiij s. iiij d., or any parte thereof, and oder wise, that is to saie, if the said Alice over lif the said terme of vj yeares aftre my decease, that the said Henrie shall have the draught with all other the premisses clerelie to his owne use. Also I give to the said Henrie one greate chymnethe in the haull, with one pare of close brigges, ij greatest arkes that standeth in the outhouse in the entreside, two side bordes in the haull, and ij fourmes, one paire of great bedstokes in the highe chambre, and one great chiste nighe unto the same, one paire of bedstokes in the w^{t} draught chambre, and one paire in the entre chambre, to thentent that the said Henrie my sone shall have the saide chymneth and all suche things as is sett or written aftre it to his heire aftre his departing. Also I bequeathe to Eline my doughter one arke that standith in the old parlure. The residewe of all my goodes I give to Alice my wif, whom onelie I make my

* His *Inquisitio post mortem*, taken 5 October, 27 Henry VIII. 1535, says he died 28 July. He married Alice, daughter of Thomas Beaumont, Esq., of Whitley, who was buried at Halifax, 8 December, 1552. There have been several wills of this branch of the Savile family printed in *Testamenta Ebor.*

executrice, to paie ther with all furst to Thomas Sayvell, of Blaithroide, my sone, and Eline my doughter, his wife, for the full payment of the childes porcone of the said Elyne my doughter, his wif, xl markes, aftre this forme, that is to saie, at the feaste of the Purificatione of o^r Ladie, or within iiij daies after, vj li. xiij s. iiij d., and in like manner at everie feaste of the Purificatone of oure Ladie, unto the said some of xl markes bee fullie paide. And also to Grace my doughter xl poundes for hir hoole childes porcone, of the whiche my wif shall receve of my saide sone xl marcs in iiij yeares, aftre such forme as apperethe in one paire of indentors maide betwixte the saide Henrye and me concerninge the said xl markes, and also to bring me forthe withall aftre my decease, aftre suche forme as the said Alice my wif shall thinke moste pleasaunte to God and most expedient for the healthe of my saull. Moreover I will that the said Alice have for her lif ij parloures and ij chambers in the towneshipe of Southowrome, nye Smythe Brigge, latelie buylded of my propre costes, nowe in the tenure of Robert Ley wyf, to hir self and hir assignes during the lif of the said Alice. Theis witnesses, Richarde Longbothome, of Warley, Richarde Saltonstall, off Northowrome, John Waterhouse, of Skircott, and William Burnlaye, of Skircott, wth diverse odre.

[Commission for probate, 6 August, 1535, to Dominus John Helewell, cantarist, at Eland, and 6 September following, he certified that he had granted administration to the executrix.]

XXXIV. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER WILBERFOSSE, OF WILBERFOSSE, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 106.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the yere of our Lord God 1533, the xij^th day of February, I, Cristofer Wilberfosse,* gentilman, with a hoole mynd, makes my last will. First, I wit my sall to Almyghtie God, and to his blissid moder our lady Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of hevyn, and my body to be beried within the kirke of Sancte John Baptiste, in Wilberfosse. Item I witte my lady priores of Wilberfosse vj s. viij d. for to pray for my sall. Item I witto hir susters iij s. iiij d. forto syng dirige in the abbaye for my sall. Item I witto Sir John Waite

* There is a pedigree of Wilberfoss, of Wilberfoss, in Glover's *Visitation* (Foster edition), 158, in which it states that Christopher, the above testator, married Ann, daughter of Robert Browne, of Netherdall. His eldest son William's will follows in this volume.

forto say a messe of the fyve woundes and dirige viij d. Item I witto Sir John Burton my curate viij d. and for his labor vj d. Item I witto William Overende for the helth of my sall x s. for to syng a trentall of Sancte Gregorie. Item I witto the me[n]dyng of the organes for the mayneteynyng of God's service iiij s. Item I witto William Wilberfosse my son, a cowntor, my gretest brasse pot, a Flaundres chiste, a cisterne of leede and a pare of malt whernes, whiche war bequethed by my fader to be implementes for ever, and also a dunned horse of iiij yeres olde, and he to gif to Henry my sone vj s. viij d. Also I gif to my sone William my violett gowne and my chamlett dublett. Item I witto Roger my sone my secunde gretest braspotte with my best horse, saddell and bridall, swerde and buckler, and he to gif to Edwarde, Thomas and Dorothe, my childer, to every on of theme vj s. viij d. Item I witto John, Roberte and Henry Wilberfosse my sones, to every on of them, a baslard, or els xvi d. in money. Item I gif to Roberte my son iij s. iiij d. over and besides his porcon. Item I witto William my son a jacke, a salett, vij chymies, a gorgett of male and a halbart. Item I bequeath that my son and heire gyve yerely to my suster Margarete duryng hir lyve on lood of haye towardes the fynddyng of hir cattall. Item I gif to Elisabeth my doughter on cowe, my best broked faced whie, vj yong cattall, v yowes and v lames, too matresses and al that belongith to too bedes and a horse. Item I witto Alicie my suster a brokyd faced whie of ij yeres old. Item I gif to Roger my son a salett, a halbarte, a corsett of whit harnes, a fold of male and a pare of splentes. Item I gif to John my son xl s. in money and a litle jacke over and besides his porcon. Item I gif to Roberte my son a pare of briganders with the reversion of a folde of male and an olde gorgett. Item I witto Anne my wif on amblynge fillie, xij li. in money, to be paid by my heires out of my landes in Wilberfosse by the spacie of sex yeres, that is to say, every yere duryng the said sex yeres, xl s. by evyn porcons, that is to say, at the fest of Sancte John Baptiste xx s., and the fest of Sancte Andrew the Apostell xx s., in full recompense of hir thirdes of my said landes, this and all other that is my dettes to be takyn and paid of my hoole porcons of goods. Item I will and order Anne my wif and Elisabeth my doughter to be my full executrices of this my last will, and the residue of all my goods unwitt I gyve to Anne my wif and Elisabeth my doughtor to dispose for my sall helthe as they thinke best. Also if

my said porcon will not extende to fulfill this my will and pay my dettes, then I will that the residue of my dettes to be paid of my hoole goodes. Also I make my cosyng Robert Wilberfosse, gentilman, William Burdon, clerke, and Robert Dawtre, gentilman, supervisors of this my will, and every on of them to have for ther labor ij s. Thies beyng wittenesses, William Jobson, gentilman, Robert Symson, yoman, Sir John Burton, my curate, Robert Herlyng, John Talbott, Thomas Ald, with other moo.

[Proved 18 July, 1534, by the executors.]

XXXV. THE WILL OF LEONARD WYMONDESWOLD, OF SOUTHWELL.*

[Reg. Test. xi. 416.]

[*No day*] 1533. Leonarde Wymondsolde, gent. My bodie to be buried in the colledge churche of our blissid Ladye of Southwell, ner unto the quere of Sancte Anne. And so for lienge ther I give to oure Ladie warkes vj s. viij d. I bequeathe x s. for a trentall to be songe at the Frears Observauntes of Newarke. Unto the hie altare of oure Ladie of Southwell my elder gray horse. To my gostlie father the parishe vicare for forgotten tithes ij s. To the parishe altar iij s. iiij d., and that I desier John Palmer, Thomas Bathley and Roger Londe, to se for the disposicon of the same, as they shall thinke that nede requireth the most thereof. Also I will that as shortlie as my inventarii shalbe praysed by iiij men, that then my goodes unbequeathed shall be devyded in thre partes, the one parte to be disposed for the welthe of my soull, the secunde parte to my wif, and the thirde to be devyded amonges my iij children, Hue, Francys and Dorithe, provyded also that my parte shall be disposed at the mynde of my executors. My best gowne to my sone John, and a colte ye which at that tyme was in Hexgref. The felie that goithe with the same colte to Henrie Smythe my sone in lawe. I bequeathe one heffer to the said Henrie Smythe children emonges them. To my sone John the gate chambre wth the iij bedstedes and all that appertenyth to them with the hanginges, after the decesse of his mother. I bequeathe the cownter, the cupborde standinge, ij other bordes, iij formes with the hanginges, to remayne ther still in the haull after the decesse of my wif, as ayre lomes, also a bruynge lede, a lesser lede to play growte in, with

* A pedigree of Wymondeswold, or Wymondesold, is printed in the *Visitations of Notts.*, 1569 and 1614 (Harleian Society), p. 114.

ij worte ledes, to remayne ther in like case as eyre lomes. To my sone Hughe my gowne, lyned with satten in cypers, and my dublet of chamlet. To my sone Frances my tawne gowne, lynede w^t^ wollen, and a wolsted dublet, and my best jacket. To my doughter Dorithe tow yews and ij lambes. To Henrie Smythe and his wif of my owne parte and x s. to be at the discretion of my supervisors.

[Et xxij die mensis Aprilis, anno Domini, 1540, administratio bonorum ejusdem tanquam abintetato decedentis commissa fuit Johanni filio dicti defuncti jurato, etc.]

XXXVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS CLAYTON, MASTER OF THE STAPLE OF CALAIS.

[Reg. Test. xi. 128.]

April 7, 1534. I, Thomas Claytone, merchant, of the stapull of Calaise, of holl mynde and good remembrance, loved be Almightye God, make now this my testamente and last will in this maner folowing. First, I recommende and bequethe my soule unto Almightie God, and to the precellent virgyn, Sainct Marie, his mother, and to all the sainctes in heven, and my bodye to be beried in the churche of Newarke, and iiij li. waxe to be burned about my bodye at my beriall. To Sir Thomas Brynklay my godsone x li. Item I have given my goddoughter, Agnes Brynklay, to her mariage xx li., if she wille be rewled by her mother and her frendes. To Margaret Lambert my goddoughter xx s. To Agnes Brinklaye my doughter xl s., and to Elizabeth Alvister my doughter xl s. I will ther be spent at my beriall vj li. xiij s. iiij d. I will no vij^th^ daie be kept. I will ij power women shall have in Uptone a house in the layne ende of Upton, butting at Lincolne crofte, and to have iiij s. by yeare to bye theme fewell duryng the space of x yeares. I will that the Frears of Newarke, if they tarye and be as they shulde be, to have xl s. Item I will that my doughter, Agnes Brynklay, shall have all my land in Uptone for the terme of xviij^th^ yeares, ande if she doe not continewe lif so long, to Stephane Brynklaie her sone, for the rest of these yeares. And I charge my sone, Sir John Claiton, that all my landes in Uptone goe to Stephane Brynklay and his heires. And I will Sir John my sone be one of my executours, and William Brynklaie a nother, and aither of them to have xl s. a peice and ther costes borne for ther payne. And I will that my sone, Sir John Claytone, and Sir Thomas Brinklaye, to whome I have given xx li., that aither of

theme syng for me and my frendes soules, or cause to be don, ij yeares to pray for me and theme. Theise being my recordes at the will making, Sir Thomas Dossye, my gostly father, my cosing Robert Howsses, and Thomas Heryng.

[Proved 8 Oct. 1534.]

XXXVII. THE WILL OF RICHARD BUNNY, OF NEWTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 177.]

In Nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. I, Richard Bonny,* of Newton, nere Wakefelde, the elder, beyng of hole and sayne mynd, lovynges bee therfore evermore to Almyghtie God, my maker, creator and redemer, evermore havyng in remembraunce the daylye casualtyes of dethe, the daye, and houre thereof no man is worthye to knowe without especyall grace of God Almyghtie, wherefore throughe the helpe of Almyghtie God, I, the said Ric. Bunnye, the xiijth daye of Aprill, in the yeare of our Lorde God 1534, doe make and wth my owne handes doe wryte my wyll in maner and forme folowing. Furst, I the said Richard Bunny, bequythe and gyf my soule unto Allmygtye God, hys blessed modre Sancte Marye, virgine and maide, and to all the sainctes in heven, and my bodie to be buryed within the church of All Halowes, in Wakefelde, in the quere or chapell in the same called Saincte Nicoles qwere, as nere as convenientlie may bee unto the sepulture of Roos, late my wif. Also I bequethe unto the curate of the same churche as use and custome is to bee done. Item to every preiste and clerke beyng at my dirigie, soule messe and buryall, every preste iiij d., every clerke officer ij d., and every odre clerke paryshenaunte j d., indued with surplesses and no odre, and that to bee done in honor of God and for the healthe of my soule. Item where as my fader the daye of hys dethe dyd owe unto the executors of Sir William Hornclyf, late his chapleyne, of hys wages, and to the executors of Sir John Cooke, late chapleyne to my fader, for hys wages, I will that they trewlye bee paide. Item where as my said fadre also did owe unto the monasterye of SaincteJohn thapostle and Evangeliste in Pont[efract] viij li. x s., yf any there of bee unpayed, I will that it shall bee paide. Also I will that every of my servauntes

* Son of Richard Bunny, of Bunny Hall, Wakefield, by Elizabeth, daughter of James Hamerton, of Monkroyde. He was thirty years old at his father's *Inquisition post mortem*, 12 Hen. VIII. He married Rose, daughter of Sir John Topcliffe, Lord Chief Justice. For a full pedigree see *Dugdale's Visitation continued.*

that bee behinde of theire wages bee trulie payde. Also whereas I did borrowe of Sir Giles Kaye, chapleyne, xxx s. saving one penny, I will he bee trewlye paide. Item I will that my suster Anne and hir husbande shall be payde yf there bee any thynge owing unto them, according as apereth in a payre of indentors by the mediacone of the vicare of Huddersfelde and oder, so that she maye have suche jointor and estates of the hole landes as was promysed by John Appleyerde, and if there bee any odre dettes owyng ayther by my fader or by my self, I will that it shall be payed. I will yt every of my three doughters shall have towardes there mariages as foloweth: Elisabeth Bunnye, my doughter xl li., Agnes Bunnye my doughter xl markes, and my doughter, Jahn Bunnye, xl markes. And where as my goodes and cattalles will not extende to performe my said will, I will that the remanent shall bee levyed of my landes and tenements, provyded that yf any of my saide doughters happen to bee of evyll disposicione of there bodie, wiche God defende, and dewlie proved, then I will that every of my said doughters so doyng shall be dismissed for any thing havyng or clamyng by thys my will, but onlie at the pleasure of my said executors; and if it fortune any of my said doughters to dye, orels to bee evill disposed as afore ys said, than I will that there parte shall remayne towardes thexhibicone of my yonger sones after the discretione of my executors, unto suche tyme as they shall bee ayther prestes or apprentices, and then from thensforthe none of them to have no further exhibicone but at the pleasure of my saide executors. . . . . Also where as Eliz. Horsfall ys not paide hir xx li., I will that she shall receve therof xvi li. of Ric. Pymonde, whome I have gyven auctoritie to receive of Thomas Daddy, of London, the said xv li., and yf that iiij li. may bee levyed of Thomas Sulgaire, I will that she shall have it. And also yf that it please my cousing, Beatrice Gray, take paynes as she haithe done in keping my children togider unto suche tyme as ys afore limited, then I will that she during that tyme shall bee convenientlie loked apon for hir payne, and yf God fortune my cole pittes to prove well, then I will that she shulde have tenne markes, and for any odre thinges to bee done for me I referre all to the discrecione of my executors, whome I doe make, Ric. Bunnye my sone, Syr Gyles Kaye, chaplayne, and William Bunnye, my sone. Thies being witenesses, John Barocloughe, Robert Hemmyngwey.

[Proved 1 June, 1535, by the executors, before Dominus Robert Skelton, priest, under a commission.]

XXXVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT OGLETHORPE, OF THORPARCH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 110.]

9 May, 1534. Roberte Oggelsthorpe,* of Thorparche. I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, our lady Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, and my body to be beried within the kirke of Bramham. To Sir Thomas Thompson, vicar of Thorparche, xij d. To Sir William Daye, vicar of Bramham, xij d. I bequeath my grete potte to John Leeke to se me have two trentalse of messes to be said for my sall at Bramham kirke, or at the freres at Yorke. To my son, Nicholas Oggelsthorpe, my daily blissyng and xl s., that he shulde have paid me by writyng. I bequeath my son, John Ogglesthorpe, my daily blissyng, with suche parcels of stuf as folowith, two mattresses, a blankett clothe, a cusshyn, &c. . . . . I bequeath my suster, Isabell Oglesthorp, vj s., to be takyn at the handes of John Leeke as she nedes hit. I bequeath my son, William Ogelsthorpe, my daily blissyng and the on half of my goodes that levith of my will and my dettes paid. Also I bequeath my youngest son, Richard Ogglesthorpe, my daily blissyng, with the other half of my goodes . . . . . To the four orders of freres at Yorke xvj d. To the parishe kirke of Thorparche xvj d., at the desire of William Elles. Also I will for God's saike my kinsmen John Thorpe, gentilman, Mathewe Oggelsthorpe, gentilman, John Norton, yoman, to see that my will fulfilled for the well of my sall, the honestye of my stooke, and quyetenes of my childer. In wittenes thereof, Thomas Thomson, Roberte Gilzotte and John Locke, with other as Richard Thoresby, gentilman.

[Proved 31 July, 1534.]

XXXIX. THE WILL OF HERBERT ST. QUINTIN, OF BESSONBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 157.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the yere of our lord God 1534, I, Herbert Sancte Quyntayne,† of Bessombe, gentilman, makes this my last will and testament in this maner. Inprimis, I gif my sall unto God Almyghtie, and to our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, and

* Fifth son of John Oglethorpe, of Oglethorpe. From his son John descended the Oglethorpes of Rawden, who were at the *Visitations* of 1584 and 1612. (See the pedigree in Glover's *Visitation*, Foster Edition, 315.)

† A younger son of John St. Quintin, of Harpham, Esq., whose will, with that of his eldest brother John, were printed in *Test. Ebor.* v. 54.

my body to be beried within the churche and where of Sancte Marie Magdalen, of Besombe, full afore our ladie. Item I gif to the anornament of the sacrament on quarter barlie. Item I gif for my forgettyn tithes xij d. Item I gif Phillipe Heslerton and John Heslerton and Agnes Heslarton, every on of them, a pese, vj s. viij d. Item I gif Edwarde Sancte Quyntayne and William and Edmunde, every of them, a pece, xx s. Item I gif every on of my servauntes half a quarter of malt. Item I gif unto Tadman and his wif on quarter of rye. Item I gif unto Thomas Sanctquyntayne and Robert Sanctquyntayne, aither of them, xl s. a pece. Also I gif all my goodes not bequest unto my wif and my too childer, and they to be my full executors all as on. Also I will that Mr. John Sanctquyntayne and William Levyn be my supervisors of this my will. Theis beyng wittenes, Sir Richard Wilson, Edmunde Sanctquyntayne, gentilman, William Cowtone, John Rompton, with other.

[Proved 27 Feb. 1534–5.]

XL. THE WILL OF HENRY BABTHORPE, ESQ., OF DRAX.

[Reg. Test. xi. 162.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The fyrst daie of Januarie 1534, I, Henry Babthorpe,* of Draxe, esquier, make this my testament. Fyrst, I bequethe my soule to Almyghtie God, to Sancte Marie his mother, and to all the holie companye in heven, my bodie to bee buried in the chapell of Sancte James, within the parishe churche of Draxe, founded of the blissed apostels Petre and Poule. I bequethe to the high altare for my forgoten tythes xx d., to the sustentacione and buylding of the bodie of the same churche vj s. viij d., to the prior and convent of the monasterie of Saincte Nicoles, of Draxe, vj s. viij d., to the iij orders of frears within Yorke, that is to saie, to the Tostes (*sic*) Augustines and White Frears, to eche of theis iij orders xx d., to the order of Gray Frears within Doncastre xx d., to the Charter House, called the Montegrace iij s. iiij d., to the Frears of Sancte Robert xij d., to Sir John Rouesley, the vicare of the parishe churche, xij d., to Sir Robert Norclif, preste, xij d., to Sir Thomas Hemyngburgh, prest and proctor within the saide parishe church, xij d. The residew of all my goodes I bequethe to Eliz. my wif, excepted a white bedde of lynnen clothe of damaske worke, iij curteynes

* There is no mention of him in any of the Babthorpe pedigrees.

to the same and white hanginges, ij pare of fustiane blankettes wth a counterpointe of worsted with Sancte Katherine wheles, wiche are the implementes and heire loymbes to the manor place of Wyckinbie within the countie of Lincoln belonging. Also I will that all my feoffes, of all my landes, and of my wode and winde mylne within my manor of Wyckinbie, and also of a meise in Snathe, and of my iij rodes of pasture in Carleton (wiche bee percelles of my wif is joynture), shall imediatlie after my decease bee seased to thuse and entente that my executrix shall taike the profettes of all the said landes to thuses of my sones, Nicoles and John Babthorpe, during the terme of vij yeares next after my decease. And in case that Guye Babthorpe my sone and heire dye, wiche God defende, during the saide terme, then I will that my saide feoffes shalbee seased of the landes to the use of the said John my sone during the saide terme of vij yeares, and my sone Nicoles to taike nor have no profett therof during the said yeares, provided alwaye that my saide sones, Nicoles and John, nor no other persone to theire uses, shall taike any other profitts or sayles of the wodde, but bie suche yearlie and usuall hagges and falles as have beene yearlie accustomed to bee felled, kidded and solde in tymes and yeares paste, and noo other wise during the said terme of vij yeares. Also I will that all such persons as bee seased of any landes to the use of my wif, shall, after her decease, bee seased of the same to the uses of my saide sons, Nicoles and John. I ordane Elizabeth my wif the sole executrix of this my last will. Theis bering witnes, Richard Babthorpe, gent., Sir John Roueslaie, Sir Robt. Norclyf, Sir Thomas Hemyngbyrgh, preistes, and William Nelson, yoman, with odre.

[Proved 24 Sept. 1535.]

XLI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM ELLIS, ESQ., OF KIDDALL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 130.]

In the name of Almightie God, Amen. I, William Ellis,* being holl in mynde and seke in body, maketh, constitute and ordaneth this my last will and mynde, aftre this maner and forme folowing. The first I give and bequethe my

* Son of Thomas Ellis, of Kiddall, by Anne, daughter of William Calverley, Esq. He heads the pedigree in *Glover's Visitation*, 1584, and is said to have married Joan, daughter of William Percehay, Esq., of Ryton. His eldest son was William, not in the above will, whose own will was proved at York, 3 November, 1573, and having no issue, Kiddal came to John, son of Henry Ellis, his brother.

soule unto Almightie God, my creator and maker, and to our ladie Sainct Marye, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodye to be beried within the churche of Alhalowe in Berwicke, within our ladie qwhere. Also I give and bequethe unto the high altare ij s. for tithes forgotone. Also unto the chirche of Berwicke xx s., to the making of a cope of ye chamlett gowne. Also I give iij s. iiij d. to our ladye light. Also I give to John Wittone my servaunt xiij s. iiij d. Also to Roger Elles all such landes as I have purcheside of John Hunte, of Owltone, or els xxij li. that I did paye for it; to Henry, John and Roger Elles, my sones, all suche copyholde landes as I have geven uppe by surrendre into the handes of Cuthbarte Symkyn and William Crofte, that is to saie, vij acres lyeng within the parke of Kedalle, with a house. Also maner landes lyeing in Barostedes, also half an acre at the Shawe side, also all the copyeholde land that dothe lye in the barkhouse garthe, with a crofte, in the holding of John Gibson, with a house with the appurtenances in Scoles, now in the holding of John Jacksone, with a house now in the holding of Richard Sclater in Scoles. Also I will that Robert Gilson house pay the king. Also I will that these landes and percelles be maid sure to Henry Elles and John Elles, to be equallie devided betwixt theme, if so be that Roger Elles my son doe recover the landes that I bought of John Hunte, for the terme of there lifes, and aftre their deceise to remayne to my right heires, and if so be that my son Roger Elles canne not recovere Hunte landes, then I will that all suche landes afore reherside to be evenlie devidide amonges Henrye, Johne and Roger Elles, for the terme of there lifes naturall, and after the decease of theme to remayne to the right heires of me; further I will that Henrye, John and Roger, my sons, have my yeares and termes in the Scoles parke, and the profett to be devidede among theme. Also I will that Sir Richard Elles my sonne be maide sure for the terme of his life a house in Potertone, now in the holding of John Richardson, with three acres in the bankes, with a house in Kypax, now in the holding of Thomas Colyer, with Elyn Sherborne house, and aftre the decease of the said Sir Richard Elles I will that all suche landes doe remayn to my right heires for ever. Also I give to Sir Robert Smythe, my curate, iij s. iiij d. Also I will that Sir Richarde Elles my sonne have a fetherbedde with a bolster, iij coverlettes and a paire of sheites, a paire of blankettes, a blacke gowne and a gray nage. Also I will that Henrie,

John and Roger Elles be my holl and full executors, and if it please God to call me to his great marcie, then I will my executors doe bring me forthe and paye my dettes, and thay to have all my goodes for to dispoise for the helthe of my soule. Unto this my last trew will and mynde I have setto my seale the xxvij daie of Marcij, in the xxvj yeare of the reigne of our soveraign lorde, Kinge Henrie theight. Theise being witnesse, Sir Robert Smyth, the curate of Barwicke, Robert Calverley, Cuthberte Symkyn, William Crofte, John Hunte, John Jacksone, Robarte Willoman, William Tailyor, with other moe.

[Proved 30 April (?) 1535.]

XLII. THE WILL OF THOMAS MELLERS, ALDERMAN, OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. xi. 231.]

Aug. 16, 1535, 27 Hen. VIII. Thomas Mellers, one of the aldermen of the towne of Notingham. Bodie to bee beried within the parishe churche of Sancte Petre, within the towne of Notingham, yf it please God that I discease there. Also I gyve and bequeathe all my landes, etc., within the towne and feildes of Basseforde, to the use of the free scoole,* latlie founded within the said towne of Notingham by dame Agnes Mellers, my mother, deceased, for ever, wiche landes, etc., I latelie purchased of William Squyer, of Loughborowe, gentleman. To Margerie, my wyfe, all and singular my messuages, etc., within the towne and feldes of Notingham. My moveable goodes and catalles to the said Margerie my wif, whome I make my full executrice, to dispose as well my said londes and tenementes as my moveable goods aforesaid to my suster Margerye Inglyshe, her children, and to suche oder persones, and to suche uses and ententes as by her discretione and conscience shalbee thought mooste meite and expedient for the helthe of my saule and all Cristen saules. Theis beyng witnesses, John Dowden, one of the aldermen of the towne of Notingham, Sir Walter Basse, clerke, person of the parishe kirke of Bridgeford at the bridge ende, in the countie of Notingham, Benedicte Coke, w^t oder moo.

[Proved 16 Sept. 1536.]

* Written *stocke*. The will of Agnes Mellers, dated 1513, founding the school, is printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v. 41.

XLIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM HUNGATE, OF NORTH DALTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 186.]

2 Sept. 1535, William Hungate,* of North Dalton. I bequeathe my soule to Almyghtie God, and to our blessed ladie, and to all the hole companye in heven, and my bodye to bee beryed in my paryshe churche of North Dalton. To the same churche xx s. To my sone William my best horse and my best gowne. To my sone Anthony the nexte best horse. To Baynton churche iij s. iiij d. To Mydleton kyrke iij s. iiij d. To Warter churche iij s. iiij d., and to Tibthorpe chapel xx d. To my doughters Alice and Jane, ayder of them, l marces of the profette of my sone Stillingtons landes, and it to bee kepte to thuse of there marriages, and it to bee delyvered to the handes of my lord of Watton, and my cosing, person of Baynton. The reste of the landes to goe to my wyf and my sex children during the noneaidge of my sone Stillington. I bequeathe to my doughter Lucie vj li. xiij s. iiij d., and it to be putte into the handes of my lorde of Watton to make hir a nonne at Watton. I bequeathe to every one of thyes my sones, Anthonye, Marmaduce, George, Henrie, Rauf and Robert, besides there partes, xl s. a peice. I bequeathe to my fader my baye nagge, to bee good to my wyf and my childer. I bequeathe my son Henrie with his parte to my lord of Watton, and my sone George to my brodre Rauf, with hys parte. I bequeathe all my purchesed lande to my wif, lying in North Dalton, Burnebie and Haiton, for the terme of hir lif, and after hir to my twoo yongest sones for the terme of there lyffes, and after theme it to remayne to my sone and my heire. I bequeathe to Maister Babthorpe in fye xl s. in the yeare, to bee taken of my son Stillington landes in Kelfelde, during the nonaidge of hym, for to bee good to my wyf, and hym, and my children. I bequeathe Marmaduce my sone to Sir Marmaduce Constable, with his parte. To Richard Smythe, my servaunt, xx s. To Sir John Wallington iij s. iiij d. To Sir Rauf Elerker, my harte and my good will, and he and Maister Babthorpe to be survyers of this my will. I make Audrie my wif to be full executrix

* He died in the lifetime of his father William Hungate, Esq., of Saxton, whose will follows in this volume. He married Audrey, daughter of John Saltmarsh, of Saltmarsh, who survived him and made her will in 1570. Of his daughters, Lucy does not appear to have become a nun, but to have married Anthony Blowe, and Alice died unmarried, and her will is at York, dated 1605. In his lifetime Beatrice had married Thomas Ellerker, of Lisset, and Isabel, Thomas Stillington, of Acaster. There are many Hungate wills at York.

of the reste of my goodes, and my wif to have the keping of my sone Stillington during his none aidg. Item I bequeathe the thacke of my farmeholde that I dwell in, yf ought come at my wyf, or yf she marye, to my sone Antonye, provided alway that yf anye of my said children departe, or it come to leafull aidge, the parte to remayne to the odre children. Witnesses, Sir John Hastinges, person of Baynton, Sir John Wallington, Thomas Baysse.

[Proved 3 Dec. 1535, by executrix Audriana.]

In the margin is an exhibit dated 18 April, 1833, as to the will having been produced in evidence in a suit in chancery between William Hungate, otherwise William Anning Hungate, otherwise Sir William Anning Hungate, Bart., plaintiff, and Richard Oliver Gascoigne and other defendants.

XLIV. THE WILL OF LEONARD MAULEVERER, OF MICKLETHWAITE GRANGE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 557.]

17 Oct. 1535, Leonarde Mallyuerer* of Mikilthwaite Grandge, within the parishinge of Collingham, esquier. I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, and my bodie to be buried wheresoever it please Almightie God. I bequeathe to a prest to synge for my saull and for the saules of my father and my mother, half one yere at the churche of Collingham, xlvj s. viij d. I bequeathe to Margaret Simondsone, my wyve's doughter, my best quike goods, also I bequeathe to the vicare of Collingham to pray for my saull and for the saules of my father and my mother, and for all forgotten tithes, the best quik goode that I have after that Margaret Simondson have taken hers. I bequeathe to Anne Brian, doughter to Alienor Briane, widue, my suster, x s. and one golde ringe; to Alicie Simondson, doughter to Henrie Symondson, xl s., and one cowe of hers whiche I broughte upe of a quye. To the churche warke of Collingham x s.; to Julian Grene and Isabell Grene, doughters to my wif, to eyther of them, v li. vj s. viij d., in full payment of ther childes porcons of the goods and cattales of Robert Grene ther father. I bequeathe to Thomas Sissone, Leonarde Carleton and Leonarde Thomson, my godsonnes, to evere one of theme, iij s. iiij d. . . . . I will that all the residue of my goodes, my dettes paide and my will performed, be

* Probably a younger son of Robert Mauleverer, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, vol. iv., p. 40.

indifferentlie devyded and disposed to Jane, my wif, Henrie Simondson and Margaret his wif, Barnarde Paver and Anne his wif, Henrie Barrabie and Elisabeth his wif, Julyanne Grene and Isabell Grene, doughters to the saide Jane my wif, whom I make my full executors of this my last will. I make Henrie Simondson and Bernarde Paver supervisors, and I bequeathe to eyther of them vj s. viij d. Thes witnesses, Henrie Simondson, Barnarde Paver.

[Proved 21 March, 1541–2.]

XLV. TESTAMENTUM ISABELLÆ SWALES, SORORIS IN KILLINGGRAVES.

[Reg. Test. xi. 205.]

May 21, 1536, Issabell Swales, suster in Killingarthe. Fyrste I gif and bequeathe my saule to Almyghtie God, and our lady Saincte Marye, and to all the holie courte and companye of heven, and my bodye to be beryed in the Trynytie kirke of Hull, besyde my husbande Leonarde Yngleson. And I bequeathe for my berelaye in the kyrke xx s., and I will have xij preistes and ij clerckes at the daye of my berelaye, at my vij daye, and at my twelve moneth daye. I bequeathe to be gyven for my saule to poore folkes, where moste nede ys, xl s. Item I bequeathe for my tythes and oblacons, necligentlie forgotton, ij s. To Syr Thomas Peche xij d. To every Masyndewe in Hull, iiij d. to every house. To suster Agnes a gowne and a kyrtle. To suster Cooke a gowne and a kyrtle. To suster Burton a gowne and a kyrtle. To suster Margarete a gowne and a kyrtle. Item I gyf and bequeathe (to) my husband Maister Swales xx s. To Allyson Fedderston a gowne, and a kyrtle, and a pety coite, ij coddes and the wares, ij payre of sheites of strykynges. To Jane and Jenet Barker, servauntes to Edmunde Bowmer, ayther of theme, a paire of sheites. To the churche of Kilnwalgraves a long twilte towell, to serve theme at howsell borde. To the house of Killyngraves my greatest maser, to bee an heyrelome in the house, and not to be taken frome it, but to bee in the kepyng of the eldest broder, orels th'eldest suster, and thaye to bring it forthe at there being in the haule. To Rychard Coke the fedderbedde he lyeth on and the bolster, a payre sheites and a coverlett. To Leonarde Coke all the hangyng about my bedde and a coverlett. To the Rode at Killinggraves a lynnon sheite to cover hym w^t in Lenton. Item Maister John Herryson hawe me xv li., of the wiche I gyf to hym self v li., and I will he paye to the Trynitie churche warke at

[illegible] years 1s.; and he
[illegible] me, or he paye it,
[illegible] there houses where
[illegible] Bowmer xx s. To
[illegible] in Hull a paire
[illegible] I desyer hym
[illegible] bee supervysors of
[illegible] and bequeath
[illegible] and the childer of
[illegible]. Thyes wittenesses,
[illegible] George Burton and John

[illegible] Hull, berebruer,

[illegible] OF GUISBOROUGH, ESQ.

[illegible]

[illegible] God. Amen. I, Roger
[illegible] parishe of Sanct Nicholas,
[illegible] Cleveland, esquier, hooll of
[illegible] my testament. I bequeathe
[illegible] our ladie Sancte Marie,
[illegible] to be buried in the Abbay
[illegible] before the old royd. Also I
[illegible] his bretheryn for *messe* and
[illegible] and to the sacristane for
[illegible] To my sone and heir,
[illegible] vj sylver spones with
[illegible] things usually beinge
[illegible] that his evidence doth
[illegible] and all the brewinge
[illegible] are yron gallis in
[illegible] one pare of chyrons,
[illegible] horse that my brother
[illegible] and one yonge horse of
[illegible] with Larde corne and
[illegible] one awmbling meer and
[illegible] one horse and one
[illegible] Roger and James all
[illegible] them. To one
[illegible] one yone fill. To

oure Mother Churche of Yorke xij d., and everie one of Ripon, Beverlay and Southwell, xij d. To everie one of the iiij orders of freares xij d. I will my suster Alice Tocottes have yerlie xx s., her in Tocottes, duringe her lif naturall. Also I will one serge of wax be funde befor a ymage of oure ladie the space of v yeres, and I give a purse of velvet to the hye altar in the parishe churche to bere the sacrament in to seke folkes. And unto everie servaunte beinge withe me at the day of my dethe xij d. And to litle Richarde Cragle one whie and ij shepe. To myn executors the same charge that was geven to me in the will of my brother William Tocottes, for the fulfillinge of the will of Sir Roger Tocottes, knyght. The residue of all my goodes, my will fulfilled, and my dettes paid, I give it unto my wif Johan Tocottes, and to my saide sone James, whome I make myn executors. I make my brederyn in lawe, Maister Thomas and Mr. John Rukbie, and Mr. Menell, my frende, supervisors. Witnesses, Sir William Porret, prest, John Fletcher, John Pickarde, and Thomas Appilbie. Also I bequeathe to the payntinge of Sancte James iij s. iv d., and to the lyghtes of oure Ladie in the parishe churche iiij s.

[Proved 2 April, 1539.]

XLVII. THE WILL OF THOMAS PERCY, OF SCARBOROUGH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 228.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The second day of Octobre, in the yere of oure Lord God mvxxxvjth, I, Thomas Percy, of Scardeburgh, hoole of mynde and perfite of remembrance, ordans my testamente in maner folowyng. Fyrste I bequeath my saule to God Almyghtie, maker of heven and erthe, to hys blessed moder Marye, and to all the celestyall companye of heven, and my bodye to be beryed in Sancte Marie churche, of Scardburgh. Also for my funerall expenses in the quere xxvj s. viij d., to the prior of Bridlington for forgoton tythes xx s., also for my buryall and to the churche workes xx s. Also to bee dalte in almouse to poore folkes the day of my beryall xl s. To every place of Freres within the towne of Scardeburgh, to the upholdyng of ther houses, vj s. Also to every Frere goyng processione before me and saying messe the daye of my buryall iiij d. Also for twentye lyghtes of the craftes of the towne iij s. iiij d. To xx poore men bering the said lyghtes the day of my buriall xx d. Also to the upholde of the Keye, two acre closes lying at Collclyf, and xx s. in money. To the mendyng of hye

wayes xx s. To Francisce Percy iiij li. To Katherine Isbrande xl s., and all her dettes to be remitte and forgyven. To Katheryne Barnarde her doughter xx s. To John Barnarde her sone xx s. To the prior of the White Freres for writing my testamente vj s. viij d. To Thomas Wardall v li. out of my barlye stocke, and that he shall remayne here unto Wittesondaye, to bee paid for caryage and malte making, and to have hys fother and all oder thynges to hym belongyng as he hathe hadde in tymes paste. Also I bequeathe to the same Thomas Wardal, hys wif and children, two houses at Newburgh gayte, for the yearlie paying of the kinges ferme. Also I bequeathe to the place and convente of the Blak Freres of Scardburgh half a close, wiche they have in possessione, and half one acre lying at Stompe crosse. Also to Robert Wartre my sheperde fyve sheipe sheringes. Also I will that William Rosdale my tenente shall have released of hys Candlemes ferme xj s. Also to Margarete, my doughter, to the behove of her children, the thirde parte of all my sheipe, wth the thyrde parte of all my household stuff. I bequeath to William Percye my sone and heyre all my landes, bothe inherytance and purchased landes, excepte suche as is declared by thys my laste will, and suche as I have geven afore by wrytyng to the places of Freres within the towne of Scardburgh. Also I bequeathe for the probacone of my testamente, wth labor about the same, xx s. The resydew of my goodes I gyve them to William Percye my sone, by deide of gyfte, and I ordane William Kenrewe and John Harwod my full executores. Theis being witnesses, the pryor of the Whyte Freres, John Hogeson, William Harwod, Thomas Dobson, Thomas Wardall, with manye moo.

[Proved 10 Feb. 1536–7.]

XLVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT BECKWITH, OF DACRE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 222.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The sexte daie of Octobre, in the yeare of oure Lord God, 1536, I, Robert Bekwith,* of Dacre in Nyderdale, of hoole mynde and good memorie, ordaneth my laste will. Fyrste I gyve my saule to God Almyghtie, to oure blessed Ladye, and to all the Sanctes in heaven, my bodie to bee buryed where it shall pleas

* Probably the father of Marmaduke Beckwith, who, according to the visitation, sold his lands in Clint and went to Ackton, near Pontefract, and from whom the Beckwiths of Ackton and Aldborough, descended.

Almyghtye God. And I bequeste for my mortuarie according as the acte of parliamente dothe requyre. Also I gyve to the house of Sancte Roberte, to praye for my saule, iij s. iiij d. Also I gyve to Sir William Sotheron, chapleyne at Hampestwhaite, to synge a trentall of messes for my saule and all Cristen saules, v s. Also to Sir George Eles, chaplayne at Brymham, to praye in like wise for my saule, iij s. iiij d. Also to Sir William Wrythowe, to praye in like maner, viij s. or more, at the discrecione of my executors. To the churche worke of Fuyston iij s. iiij d., towardes the mending of Somerbrige ij s. Also to the mending of a waye betwixte Dacre and Darley mylne iij s. iiij d. To the vicare and person of Patheley Bridge, and to ayther of theme for forgoton tythes, iij s. iiij d. And moreover I will that all my clothing and araymente bee geven to poore people nexte of my kyne, aftre the discrecone of my executors. Also I will for the weale of my saule have *dirige* and *messe of Requiem* for to bee songe and said where it shall please my executors. And I make Jenet my wife my executrix, to whome I gyve the thirde parte of all my freeholde landes over and besides the halfe parte thorough all my copieholde landes for terme of lyfe of the said Jenet, and also I make Marmaduce and Robert my sones my executors, and John Pullayne, of Kyllynghall, gent., and Robert Dyneley, of Bramhope, gent., supervisors. Wittenes herof, Sir Thomas Dacre, vicare of Hampestwhate, Sir William Thompson, chantrie preiste of Rypley, John Graver, of Fuyston, Thomas Foster, of Denton, Edward Beckewith, of Kelynghall, George Beckewith, of Skuthe, Cristofer Hardcastell, of Dacre, and William Hardcastell, of the same, with oder.

[Proved 3 Nov. 1536.]

XLIX. THE WILL OF JAMES CRATHORNE, OF CRATHORNE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 765.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiiijth day of Octobre, 1536, I, James Crathorne,* myghtie of mynde, holl of remembrance, geveth my soull to Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heven,

* Son of Thomas Crathorne, of Crathorne, by Alice, daughter of Sir John Eland, of Hull. An abstract of his father's will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, iv. p. 71. The testator married Elizabeth, daughter of John Sayer, of Worsall, who made her will 27 November, 1568, proved 17 August, 1569. There is very meagre information about this old catholic family which possessed Crathorne till very recent times, the last heir male only dying in 1825.

and my bodie to be buried in the church quere of Crathorne, if it shall please God. First I bequest to one prest to singe for my father and my mother and my brother Rauf, with my god fathers and god mother and myself, withall my elders soules that Almightie God wolde have prayde for, iiij li. by yere, for the spacie of iiij yeres. Also I bequest my best garment to the church of Crathorne therof to make suche anornmentes as belonges to the churche. I bequest to the light in the roid loft iij s. iiij d., also vj s. viij d. to bie torches to light in the lavation tyme. Also to Stokesley church to pray for me x s. To Christabell Denton one cowe and one calf. Also to Isabell Keirbie thre kie and ther calves. To James Westrope one yonge horse of three yeres. I bequest that my sone Thomas Crathorne shall have my chyne of golde, with the flower of golde and my signet of golde, with iiij oxen, and one bone wayne, with all implements. To William Ashley my sone in lawe, and my doughter, his wif, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Also to every one of my sonnes, that is to say, Frauncys, John, Georgie and Peter Crathorne, have of my goodes besides ther partes x li., and nothinge to be hurted of ther partes. Also I bequest John and Peter Crathorne shall have my farmholde of Litle Busbie with Standall Cott, if it shall please God they lyve after Rauf Conyers, and they decese afore the said Rauf Conyers, then shall ther other breder have it, that is to say, Frauncys and Georgie. Also it be my will that Frauncys and Georgie shall have my farmeholde of Tanton during my yeres, and if ought come at theme but goode, then it shall remayne to John and Peter. Also I will that it be knowne that every one of my sonnes hathe by writinge as well as by will, Frauncys five markes for terme of his lif, and John fyve markes, and Georgie v markes, and Peter fyve markes. And also I will that my wif and all my yonger childer to be my holl executors, and that ther shall twentie markes of my landes at Estnes come to the use of Agnes and Elinour Crathorne, to ther be to every one of theme one hundreth markes to ther mariedge and lyvinge. Also I bequeath that my wif have the order of my childer to they be at lawfull adge, and she make them a trewe cownte by seght of foure of ther nerest frendes, and for the proffett of ther goodes to gyve theme ther fyndinge, because they are her owne. And also I will that my dettes be paide, for she knoweth in every parte what I owe. Also she doth knowe who owe me. And I will that the Thesaurarer of Yorke, Lancelot Collynson

and Thomas Sayer, be supervisors. Also I bequest that Frauncys Sayer be trulie paide xx li., the portion that I receyved of his goodes, the which goodes drewe to the some of twentie poundes and vij li. Thomas Sayer owe for vj quyes iij li. viij s., paid to Frauncys Sayer therof in horse by me iiij li. Also I bequest that Margaret Walker have towe oxen or else xl s. for theme, and one cowe for her good service. I will that my wif se that my servantes be well and trulie paide ther wadges, and also if ther be any thinge that she remember that I have forgotten, that she will se that I be discharged therof, and I trust her best of all the worlde. I bequest John Crathorne to have my farmholde of Caldmore Cote duringe my termes, and his mother the order of it, and he to have it at his full adge with one hundreth weders of the grounde left to his proffetts, and if ought come at hyme but goode, it to go fro one of his breder to an other, and if they all die, it to go to ther mother, for I trust her best. Writyn with myne owne hande by me, James Crathorne, of Crathorne, squyer.

[Proved 14 Feb 1543–4, by the widow, power reserved for the children, minors.]

L. THE WILL OF RICHARD HORNE, OF HAVERCROFT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 226.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiiij daye of Novembre, in the yeare of oure Lord God, 1536, I, Richard Horne,* of Havercrofte, of hoole mynde and good remembrance, makes thys my laste will and testamente in thys maner folowing. Fyrste I bequeathe my saule to God Almyghtye, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holye companye in heven, and my bodie to bee buryed within the churche yearde of Sancte Petre, of Felkyrke. Item I bequeathe to the hie altar of Felkyrke viij d., to William Bothe, preiste, xij d., to Sir Barnarde Hosclyf xx d., to Jenet Copley xx s., to a preste to synge for me iij s., to Jenet Walker iij s. iiij d., to Jenet Robuke xij d., to Richarde Horne a cowe, to the mending of Whenegrene yate viij d. That done, I brought forthe and my dettes paid, the reste of my goodes not geven nor bequethed I gyf to Jenet my wyfe

* William Horne, of Mexborough, appeared at Dugdale's *Visitation*, his uncle being of Havercroft, but what the connection was between them and the testator does not appear.

and William my son, whom I make my full executors. Witnes William Bothe, the parish preste, William Hosclyf and John Kympe, with oder moo.

[Proved 18 April, 1537, by the executors.]

LI. THE WILL OF SIR RICHARD TEMPEST, OF BOLLING.

[Reg. Test. xi. 296.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. 6 Jan., 27 Hen. VIII, I, Richerd Tempeste,* of Bollyng, knight, hoole and of good mynde and remembrance, makes this my laste will and testamente. I bequeath my soule to Almyghtie God, and my bodie to be buried in our blessed ladyes quere in the churche of Bradforde, if it pleas God that I dye within the saide parishe. I give and bequeathe to my wyfe, Dame Rosamond Tempeste, all suche landes as shee of right ought to have of myne enheritance, over and besides her owne enheritance whiche she was borne unto. Also I bequeathe to my said wyfe all my householde stuf, goodes and cattalles at Bolling, withall and everie implementes of the householde stuf whatsoever it be, in any maner of wise therunto belonging. I bequeathe unto my son Thomas Tempeste, knight, all such landes as was lefte and did come unto me by discente of enheritance, and all suche householde stuf as remaineth at Bracewell. Also I bequeathe unto my sone John Tempeste all my purchesed landes whiche I did bye of Nicholes Saivell, and all oder suche landes whiche I did purchese within the towne of Wakefelde and in any oder place within the lordshipe of the same, to the said John Tempeste, and his heires male of his bodie lawfullie begoton, and for defaulte of his heires male of his bodie lawfullie begoton, then the said landes hollie to come unto the right heires of me the said Sir Richard for ever. Also I gyve unto my said sone John Tempeste my graunte, tacke and lease of the farmes and Balifwike of Bradford, and also my tacke,

* Son of Nicholas Tempest, of Bracewell, by Margaret, daughter of Sir John Pilkington, and grandson of Sir John Tempest, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, ii. 260. He succeeded his uncle Sir Thomas Tempest, whose will is in *Test. Ebor.*, iv. 249, and became also of Bolling by his marriage with Rosamond, daughter and heiress of Tristram Bolling. He was High Sheriff of Yorkshire in 1516, and died in London in prison 25 August, 1537. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 6 Oct. 29 Henry VIII. Sir Thomas, his eldest son, being forty years old, who was High Sheriff of Yorkshire, 1542, but having died *s.p.*, the second son John succeeded to Bracewell, and also died *s.p.* Nicholas the third son then came into the property. See an interesting account of Sir Richard Tempest, by Mrs. Tempest, in the *Bradford Antiquary*, New Series, Part V.

graunte and lease of the personege of Bradford, whiche I have of the college of Leicester. And I gyve unto my sone Sir Thomas Tempeste, knight, my tacke, graunte and leace whiche I have of the personege of Kirkbye in Mallomedale, belonging unto the house of Westderham, in the countie of Northfolke. Also I bequeathe also unto my sone Nicoles Tempeste all my farmes and leaces whiche I have of the kinges graunte within the lordshipe of Wakefelde. Also I give to my sone John Tempeste my farmeholde of Grenehyll and Studdertes, and all oder whiche I have within the hoole lordshippe of Barnolleswike, excepte Newclose and Cowe Pasture, withe the medowes therunto belonging, whiche I gyve by this my will unto my sone Thomas. Also I give and bequeathe unto my sone Tristram Tempeste all suche lands whiche I purchased of Robert Blacker, and also all suche lands as I have purchesed of Alexander Medley, lying in Ovenden and Waddesworthe. Also I gyve and bequeathe unto my son Henrie Tempeste all the landes whiche I did purchase of the heires of Roberte Falthroppe, is lying in Horton in Craven and Settill, for the terme of his lyfe naturall, and after his decease, it to remayne to the heires male of me the saide Sir Richard Tempeste for ever mo. Also I give and bequeathe unto my sone Nicholes Tempeste all suche landes whiche I did purchese of John Bradforde, his fader in lawe, lying in Bradford, and nowe in the tenure of Edwarde Midgeley. Also I gyf unto my servaunte William Smithez all suche landes whiche I have in Skypton, after the deceace of Richard Bannyster, whiche nowe is in the tenure of John Taylyor during the lyfe of the said William. Also I gyve to every of my householde yomen, dailie and continuallie in service, xl s. a peice, and every one of theme a horse or a maire to ride opon, to be taken of my goodes, and to be paid unto theme by my executrix and supervisors of my will. Also I make my wyfe Dame Rosamonde my hoole executrix, and she hoollie to receave and take upe all my dettes owing unto me, whatsoever they be. And so likewise she to pay my dettes whiche of right can be clamed that I doe owe unto any man. And my sons Syr Thomas, John and Nicholes Tempeste to be my supervisors of this my said will, truelie to be performed and executed as they will answere unto afore Almightie God. Also I gyve and bequeathe unto my sone John Tempeste my farme and taike whiche I have of thabbotte of Cokersande yf the same willinge that William Smythez shall have one

of the tithe laithes belonging unto the same. Witnesses hereof beinge Thomas Lester, gentleman, William Smythez, Ric. Balderston, and Roberte Paslewe.

[Proved 29 Jan. 1537–8, by the executrix.]

LII. THE WILL OF SETH SNAWSELL, ESQ., OF BILTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 236.]

May 14, 1537, I, Seth Snawsell,* of Bilton, in the countie of the citie of Yorke, esquyer, hoole in mynde, seke in bodye, ordane and make thys my laste will and testamente. Fyrste I bequeathe my soule to Almyghtie God, and my bodye to be beryed in the paryshe churche of Bilton, in the north ile of the said churche, and for my tithes forgoton I gyve and bequeathe to the Sacramente of the altar iij s. iv d., in discharge of my conscience, and all suche costes and charges as shall bee expended about my buryall I putte it to the discrecone of Katherine my wife. And further by thys my last will I do openlye knowlege and confesse that I have made a gifte in writinge, dated the sexte daye of Marche, in the xxv^th^ yeare of the reigne of King Henry theght, sealed with my seale, to Sir Oswalde Willesthrope, knyght, Rauf Pullayne, Edwarde Goldesburgh and Robert Metham, esquyers, of all my goodes, to suche entent, effecte and purpose as ys expressed in the said graunte; therefore I will, and by thys my last wyll confesse and graunte that the sayde graunte was and ys my deide, and as muche as in me ys dothe wyll the same graunte to bee good and of effecte, and further I will that yf the same graunte can not by the kinges lawes take effecte according to thentente, I gyve all my golde, sylver, plaite, jewels, corne, catell, and all oder my good and catelles, what so ever they bee, deide or quycke excepted, all suche tithe corne as shall fortone at the decease of me to bee in the tythe barne at Bylton, to Katherine my wyfe, and William Snawsell, sone of me and Katherine, according to the entente of the said graunte. I make William Hunte, of Bylton, my executor, and for his

* There is a pedigree of Snawsell, of Bilton, in Glover's *Visitation*, where it says that the testator was son of William Snawsell, of Bilton, goldsmith, alderman, and master of the mint at York. He married first, Elizabeth, daughter of William Davill, of Bilton, having by her a large family; secondly, Katherine Pulleyne, relict of Thomas de la More. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 19 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII, in which it states that he died 20th May of the same year, Thomas, son of his son John, who died before him, 22 Hen. VIII, being his next heir, then aged twenty-seven years.

paynes to have a youe, a lame and a hogge. I make supervisors, Sir Oswalde Willesthrope, knyght, Rauf Pullayne, Edward Goldesburgh and Robert Metham, esquyers. Theys being witnes, Roberte Metham, of Acome grandge, esquyer, Thomas Gaton, of Tokwith, John Elles, of Merston, and Edwarde Colynson, of the same.

[Proved June 12, 1537.]

LIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS FLOWER, BAILIFF, OF LANGAR.

[Reg. Test. xi. 259 (1) *d.*]

May 15, 1537, Thomas Flowre,* balȝey of Langar. Bodie to bee buryed in the churche of Langar, and my corsepresand as the lawe will. To the hye alter iij s. iiij d., and the iiij orders of Freres iij quarters of barlie. To the churche of Langar xl s., to the church of Barneston xx s., to the churche of Stathrone vj s. viij d., to the churche of Herby iij s. iiij d., to the churche of Howsse vj s. viij d., to the churche of Colstonbasset iij s. iiij d., to the churche of Tethbye iij s. iiij d., to the chapell of Wereron iij s. iiij d. To my lord a gray gelding, the wiche was hys. To Sir John Cheworthe an ambling colte. To Petre, of Kynalton, the lialȝey, [of] Whatton, and to John Hasserde, every one of theme, a colte. To my sone John Flowre a colte and a mere. To my sone Thomas a mere and a foile. My gostelie fader, Sir Robert Clerke, x s. To every one of my servauntes ij s. To every one of my godchilder xij d. Every one of my childer childer xx sheipe hogges. Every one of my broder Alexander childer a youe and a lame. Thomas Symon a heffer. Elizabeth Somerfelde a heffer. To William, George and Dorathie, my childer, for ther childes partes, all my woule and my sheipe in Werton [Wyverton] closing. I will that they and there partes bee in the tuicone of Henrie my sone and Elizabeth my wyfe. And yf the said sheipe and woule will not extende nor come to the sum of ccc markes, then I will that my executor make and fulfyll it unto my said childern, that every one of theme singular to have for ther childe parte c markes. Residewe to my wyfe and sone Henrie. Son Henrie executour. Witnes herof, Sir Robert Clerke, Petre Wynstanley, Thomas Gellesthorpe, balȝey of Whaton, Thomas Pell, and John Hasserte, w^t^ oder moo.

[Proved 24 June, 1537.]

* A pedigree of this family will be found in the *Visitations of Nottinghamshire*, 1569 and 1614 (Harleian Society), pp. 121, 122.

LIV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM FROST, OF ACTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 645.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxij of Maii, 1537, I, William Froste,* of Acton, in the countie of Yorke, gentleman, seke of bodie and holl of mynde, makes this my testament and last will. I bequeath my soull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried at my parish churche of Fetherstone, nere unto my wif. I give to the high altar for tithes forgotten x s. I give unto the church of Fetherstone to belde the churche and to the mayntenance of God is service, and Sir Robert Longley to be founde ther, all my shepe that I have at this day, saving xx, the which I give unto my suster Whitley. Also I give unto the mendinge of the cawsey in Pomfrete layne xl s. Also I will that myne executors rewarde all my servuntes at ther discression. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paide and funerall expenses maide, I give to Thomas Froste, Robert Froste, and Roger Mallett my sone, the whom I make myne executors to dispose for me. Moreover I will that if it cane lawfully be proved that I have hurte any man, that myne executors make them amendes in dischardge of my soull; also I give to William Froste and to the heirs male of his bodie, lawfully begotten, one gilted pece standing with a cover, ij saltes of siluer doble gilte, as here lomes. Also unto Jane Beiston one girdle, also fyve marks. Also I will that myne executors of my goodes fynde my suster Anne Whitley as longe as she will be ordred. This witnes, Sir Edwarde Wormall, Sir Robert, my curate, Sir Roger Frikley, Sir Robert Longley, Lionell Fuyston, Anthony Hyppon, gent., James Wilcocke, William Lawe, Edwarde Estwode, with other moo.

[Proved 17 Oct. 1542.]

LV. THE WILL OF ANTHONY ELTOFTS, OF RISHWORTH, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 297.]

In the name of God, Amen. The seconde day of Julie, 1537, I, Anthonie Eltoftes,† of Risheforthe, in the parishing

* His *Inquisitio post mortem*, taken 20 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII, says he died 22 March. Thomas, his son and heir, being forty years old.

† Son of Christopher Eltofts, of Farnhill, whose *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 29 May, 10 Hen. VIII, when Anthony was nineteen years old. The latter married Maude, daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Stapleton, of Carnaby, and his *Inquisitio* was taken 6 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII., Edmunde, his son (see in the above will), being twenty-one years old. Edmund Eltofts signed the Visitation of 1585, being then called of Farnell in Craven.

of Bingley, esquyer, do make this my laste will. In primis I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, to o^r blessed ladie, and to all the holie companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Bingley, within oure Ladies quere. Item I give to Thomas my sone the tenemente or farmhold nowe in the holding of William Wilson, of Farnehill, and that parte of the tenemente in the holding of Elene, late wyfe of William Scotte, to have it for the terme of his lyfe. Item I gyve to Anthony my sone the tenemente nowe in the holding of John Mychell, with the tenemente nowe in the holding of Cristofer Dicson, for terme of his lif. Item I gyve to William my sone the farmhold nowe in the holding of William Walshe, with the tenemente now in the holding of Roberte Cotte, with that in the holding of Richard Smythe, for term of his lyfe. Item I give to John my sone the farmhold in the holding of William Hirde, with that parte of the farmholde nowe in the holding of Alicie, late wyfe of Richarde Scotte, and the farmhold now in the holding of Margaret, late wyfe to Thomas Scarburghe, with the house and holding of Richard Berret, in Fernhyll aforesaid, for terme of his lyfe. I give to Jane, Margarete and Dorathee Eltoftes, my doughters, Risheforthe haull with thappurtenences, the tenemente of James Wodde, the house of William Fairbarne after the discease of Edward Stansfelde. Item the mylne wroe now in the holding of Anthony Foster, with the farmholde now in the holding of George Turner, and the farmholde now in the holding of Richard Wodde after the discease of the said Richard, and the tenemente now in the holding of Richard Lang, till suche tyme as they have paid to every of my doughters aforesaid xl li. of good money, that is for theme all, in the hoole a hundreth poundes and twentie. And that ones paid to retourne to the heire all thaforsaid tenementes, with thappurtences. Item I gyve unto Anne my suster xl s. yearlie during her lyfe, yf so bee she make no clayme to none of my goodes bot suche as is in the handes of Sir Richard Tempeste, knight, whiche xl s. to be taken of Benettes close now in the holding of John Perkinson, in bushopriche. Item I gyve to John Wright my servaunte the house, with thappurtences, now in the holding of James Wodde after the discease of the said James, paying yerelie the rente accustomed till suche tyme as my doughters have receved the aforesaid hundrethe poundes and twentie, and then the said John to have it during his lyfe without any rent paying. Item I will that my dettes be paid of my

hoole goodes, and the reste I gyve to Mawde my wyfe, whome I make my full executrix. Theis being witnes, John Tempeste, esquier, John Garforthe and Anthonye Foster, with oder.

[Proved 6 May, 1538.]

LVI. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER STAPLETON, OF WIGHILL, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 269.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, Cristofer Stapulton,* of Wyghall, in the countie of the citie of Yorke, esquyer, somthing seke in bodie but of and in perfecte mynde and remembrance, blessed bee Almyghtie Jhu, the 30th day of Julij, in the xxixth yeare of the reigne of oure Soverayne Lord, Kyng Henrie theight, makes and ordans thys my laste will and testamente of all my goodes in forme folloying, that ys to say, fyrste I bequethe my soule to Almyghtie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heven, and my bodie to bee buried within the chapell of our ladie in the northside of the said parishe churche of Wighall, before the image of Sancte John Baptiste. Also I gyf in the name of my forgoton tythes my beste horse, to be taken at thelectione of the vicare of Wighall. To the vicare of Wighall xx s. To the churche workes of Wighall xl s. To Sancte Mary Abbay, nere the walles of Yorke, xx s. To the house and convente of Sanct Robertes, besides Knaresburgh, xiij s. iiij d. To the priour of the Mounte Grace xx s. To the iiij orders of Freres in Yorke, ichon of theme, vj s. viij d. To ichon of the hospitalles aswell within the walles of Yorke as without xiij d. To Eliz. my wyfe my chyne of golde, and she to fynde a preiste to syng and say messe in oure ladye is chapell in Wyghall churche, where my bodie shall lye, vij yeares nexte after my dethe, the said prieste to pray for my faders soule, my moder saule, my wyfes soule, and myn and all Cristen soules. I will the said Eliz. my wife cause an hundreth messes to bee done for my soule the viijth day after my buryall. I gyf to the said Eliz. a salte of silver covered percell gilte, a goblet of silver and gilte without a cover, a long spone for grene gynger that was her owne,

* Son and heir of Sir Bryan Stapilton, of Wighill, whose will has been printed in *Test. Ebor.*, vol. v., p. 94. He appears to have married first, Alice, daughter of William Aske, of Aughton, by whom he had his sons Sir Robert and William. His eldest son, Sir Brian, died in his life time. His second wife, Elizabeth, who proved the will, was Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Nevile, of Liversedge.

xij silver spones of Sancte John that was her owne. To my son Robert too spones sylver and gylte, to the said Eliz. one silver cuppe gilte of tholde faciono that was her owne, a litle silver flagon for rose water. To Roberte Stapulton, my sone and heire, a gilte cuppe with a cover called a peyre, and a noder cuppe of the facyone of an nutte called grypeege, and they bothe to remayne frome heire to heire as longe as they wyll endure. To the said Roberte the seale of my armes in sylver and a rynge called a sygnet, with a Sarasyn heide graven in it, and they bothe to remayne as heirelomes, a basen and one ewer of silver, too bolles and a cover therunto of antyke warke, one grete holoe boole gilte with a cover, one odre litle flatte cuppe of silver with a cover. To my said wyfe one newe booke of antyke worke, and to my said sone Roberte one cuppe of silver called a peyre, all my draught oxen, waynes and ploghes, and all my croppe of corne. To Eliz. Shipman in the name of rewarde vj s. viij d., to Margerye Nevyll towardes her mariage xx s. To every house within the parishing of Wighall to pray for my soulle iiij d. To the aforesaid Roberte Stapulton, my sone and heire, all my chapell stuff as my fader lefte me, and it to romayne frome heire to heire as longe as it wyll endure, except esuche stuf as Eliz. Stapulton my wyfe brought with her, that is to say, a vestamente of reid damaske, with a crosse of greyne satten brigges, imbrodered with floures of golde and an albe, an amysse, a stoile and a faynell, and that I will that she have. Item to the parishe churche of Wyghall my blake velvett gowne, to make a cope or vestimente. Item I wyll that vi torches, price of every torche iij s. iiij d., burne about my bodie the day of my buryall, and they to remayne to the parishe churche of Wyghall as long as they wyll endure. I wyll that xiij serges, xij of theme a li. a pece, in the worshipe of the xij Apostles, the xiij of iij li. in the worshipe of the Fader, the Sone, and the Holie Goste, to burne aboute my bodie the day of my buryall, and then they to be burned afore the Sacramente as longe as they will endure. To Wulliam Stapulton my sone a gowne of blake clothe, lyned with blake damaske. To the parishe churche of Wighall a paire of organes that standeth in the hye quere of the churche. I will that my house bee kepte hoile together a quarter of a yeare after my dethe. The residew to bee disposed for the welthe of my soule and performance of this my wyll by the sayd Elisabethe my wyfe, whome I ordane my sole executrix. Witnesses,

Richarde Byskham, vicar, William Marche, John Atkyn, John Wandingham and Richarde Dicconson.

[Proved 29 Jan. 1537–8, by the executrix.]

LVII. THE WILL OF HENRY HAMERTON, ESQ., OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. xi. 261.]

In the name of God, Amen. The fourte day of Auguste, the yeare of oure Lord God, 1537, I, Henrie Hamerton,* of a good and hoole memorie, mak my testamente and laste will in forme foloyng. Fyrste I gyve and bequethe my soule to God Almightie, to our blessed ladye Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the hye quere within the churche of Sancte Marie, of Busshophill thelde, and I gyve to my servaunte, Thomas Turner, my rydyng jaket. Item I gyve to my wyfe and my children all my goodes, whome I make myn executors, and to dispose for my soule by the councell of my frendes as they shall thinke beste. Theis witnes, Sir John Beyne, the curate, Sir Xpofer Paynter and Thomas Turner, with oder moo.

[Proved 13 Dec. 1537.]

LVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT WILBERFOSSE, OF BURNBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 251.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yeare of oure Lorde God 1537, the tente day of Auguste, I, Robert Wilberfosse,† of Burnbye, hoole of mynde and good of

* Mrs. Tempest gives the following note:—He was the only son of Sir Stephen Hamerton, of Hamerton and Wigglesworth, knight (hanged for joining the Pilgrimage of Grace, May, 1537), by his wife Elizabeth Bigod. He married Joan or Jane, third daughter of Christopher Stapleton, of Wighill, Esq., by his first wife Alice, daughter of Wm. Aske, of Aske, co. York, Esq., this marriage settlement with Jane being dated 6 May, 1535. Henry Hamerton left two infant daughters and coheirs, Margaret and Alice, whose wardship and marriage was granted 12 Feb., 31 Hen. VIII (1539–40), to Leonard Warcopp, Carlisle herald, along with an annuity of twenty marks out of Somerby Sherly, &c., co. York, belonging to the late Henry Hamerton (*Cal. of Letters, &c., Henry VIII*, vol. xv., p. 109). Margaret married Francis, son of John Redman, of Twisleton, co. Lancashire, and Alice became the wife of Thomas Watson. A fine was levied, Easter term, 1557, by Francis Redman and Margaret his wife, and Thomas Watson and Alice his wife being deforciants, of the manor of Langfelde and land in Rysshworth, &c. See *Yorkshire Fines*, vol. i. p. 203, and *West Riding Session Roll*, p. 112.

† According to Glover's *Visitation*, his wife was daughter of James Strangwayes, of Ormesby, and married first to Christopher Conyers, and thirdly to Hugh Creyke.

remembrance, makes this my laste will and testamente aftre thys forme foloyng. Fyrste I gyve my soule to God Almyghtye, to our blessid ladye Sancte Marie, and to all the holie companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Sancte Giles, at Burnebie. Also I give to the persone, vicare, or proctor of the said towne for forgoton tythes xx d. Also I gyve unto Sir William Notingham my curate ij s. The residew of all my goodes, my dettes payd, my will fulfilled, I gyve to Alicie my wyfe, whome I ordane and make myn executrix, for to dispose for thelthe of my soule as she shall thinke the best for to bee done. Also I will that my fader in lawe James Strangways, my uncle Thomas Fulthorpe, and my broder Richard Strangwais, be the supervisors of this my laste will, and to see that my will be fulfilled. Theis witnesses, Sir William Notingam, the curate, William Chamerlane, Henry Wilberfosse, William Jobson, William Stevinson, Thomas Lee, John Herone and John Symson, with oder moo.

[Proved 17 Oct. 1537.]

LIX. THE WILL OF DAME ELISABETH CONSTABLE, OF WINESTEAD.

[Reg. Test. xi. 310.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xix daye of Septembre, in the yere of oure Lord God, 1537, I, Dame Elisabeth Constable,* of Wynestede, in Holdernes, of goode remembrance, ordene and makes my last will in maner and forme following. In primis I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, my bodie to be beried in parishe church of Wynestede, aforsaid. Item I gif every one of my doughters childer vj s. vij d. a pece. Item I witto Xpofer Hilliarde, son of Martyne Hilliarde, squyer, vj s. viij d. Among the servauntes xx s. To Katheryn Wright iij s. iiij d. and fouer kercheves. Item Thomas Hodgeson xx marces for althinges bipest. Item to the same Thomas fyve marc in rewardes. Item I witto all the orders of Freares next adiunyng to Thurntoft, every house, vij s. viij d. Item I witto Sir Thomas Swyer iij s. iiij d., to Margarete Mooke ij s., to William Slater ij s. Item I witto John Constable that mariede my doughtors doughtor ij stottes and vj s. viij d., to Elisabethe his wife ij kye and xx s. in money, to Sir Robert Fox iij s. iiij d. Item to Sir Roberte Swale iij s. iiij d. Item to every poore house in Wynestede vj d. Item to every maide in the house iiij d.

* Probably the widow of Ralph Constable, of Burton Constable, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, iii. 279.

The residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, I will Sir Christofer Hilliarde, knyght, have the mellyng of all my goodes in Holdernes, without interuption of any person, and my sone Rauf Constable to have my goodes in Richmondshire, likewise the whiche Sir Xpofer and Rauf I make my executors, that they dispose for thelthe of my sall, and of all Cristyn salles, as they shall thinke most necessarie. Wittenes this, John Appilby, John Mason and Anthony Crawforth, with other moo.

[Proved 19 Feb. 1537–8.]

LX. THE WILL OF RICHARD LANGLEY, OF DALTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 385.]

In the name of God, Amen. The 28 September, 1537, I, Richard Langley,* of the towshipe of Dalton, within the parishe of Kirke Heton, gentleman, makes my testament and last will in manner and forme followinge. First and principally I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie my maker, to the most gloryose Virgin oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried within the churche of Heton aforesaid. To the highe altar for my tythes and offringes forgotten vj s. viij d. To the chirche warke if it go forwarde xiij s. iiij d., and to oure Ladie service viij s. To my mother x s., and she to enter to her owne after my discece, notwithstandinge the covenande maide betwixt hir and me before. To Agnes my suster vj s. viij d. I will that my tenants which haithe taken of me and paid the forgiftes have ther yeres according to my promes. I will Ric. my son have as herlomes a copborde, a screyne, a gret arke, with ij side bordes in the haull, and he to have no forther enterest of any other of my goodes. I will that Arthur Key, of Woodsome, esquier, have the order and kepinge of my son Richarde duringe his nonage. The residue of my goodes to Jane my wif and Thomas, Arthure, Alice and Margaret my childer, whome I make my executors. I make Sir Robert Nevell, knyght, supervisor. Thes being wittenes, Arthur Key, esquier, John Key, gentleman, Robert Dawson and Richarde Carnebie, preistes.

[1 July, 1539, Commission to the Dean of Pontefract, who on the 2nd Oct. certified that the will was proved before him by the widow, power reserved for the four co-executors, minors.]

* Son of Thomas Langley, of Rathorp Hall, in Dalton, whose *Inquisitio* was taken 27 Aug., 10 Hen. VIII, when Richard was found to be fourteen years old. The latter married Jane, daughter of Thomas Beaumont, of Mirfield and Lascelles Hall. His descendant, Richard Langley, appeared at Dugdale's Visitation.

LXI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM HEDON, OF MARTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 335.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The last day of September, 1537, I, William Hedon,* of Marton, gentilman, makes this my present testament. First I give my saull to God Allmightie, to oure blissed laidie Sanct Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be beried within the churche of Swyne, as nygh to my brother in law, William Thorpe, as it convenyently may be, and my mortuary to be paid after the costome that now is. Item I bequeathe unto the sacrament in Swyne churche xx s., to the gilde of Swyne xij d., to the sacrament of Marton churche xij d., to the churche warke of Marton xiij s. iiij d., to Eliz. Handisley, Isabell Cabery, William Watson, Katheryn Wadbie, William Ukerbie and William Smythe, my godchildren, to evere of them, xvj d. To my brother Richarde Hedon a qr. whet and a quarter barle, to either of my brether e'lay, Peter Wivell sons, a shepe, and to his doughter a nother. To Jane Crawfurthe xiij s. iiij d., to William hir sone a shepe. To my brother Thomas Hedon childerne, to evere one of them, a shepe, and to my broder John Hedon childern, to evere of them, xij d. To Sir Robert Redmer iij s. iiij d. to pray for me, to my iiij brederin, to evere one of them, iij s. iiij d. To my sone in law, Edmunde Hogeson, my blake geldinge and all my apparell for my bodie, and xx s. in money, to Lawrence Crawforthe x s., to Thomas Thorpe vj s. viij d., to Bartilmewe Thorpe and to George Thorpe, to either of them, v s. And all the rest of my goodes I give to Eliz. my wif, whome I make my executrix, if she live after me, and if not I give them unto my said sone in lawe Edmunde Hogeson, and to Agnes his wif, whome I make executors, and my faither Richarde Hedon and my brother in lawe Robert Hogeson to be the supervisors of the same. Item I give to Thomas Wilkynson xij d. Thes witnesses, Sir Robert Redmer, Richarde Hedon, thelder, John Hedon, Lawrence Crawfurthe, Richarde Hedon, yonger.

[Proved 21 Mar. 1537-8.]

* He is not mentioned in the pedigree of Hedon, of Marton, in Holderness, in Glover's *Visitation* (Foster edition, p. 151), but probably was a younger son of Richard Hedon, who heads the same.

LXII. THE WILL OF JANE HAMERTON, OF CRAVEN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 299.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. 1537, the xxvjth day of Decembre, I, Jane Hamerton,* late wyfe to Henrie Hamerton, sone and heire apparente to Sir Steven Hamerton, of Crayffyn, in Yorkshyre, being hoole in mynde and memorye, makes my laste will after this manner foloyng. Fyrste I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, my bodie to be beryd in the hye quere of the churche of Sancte Marie Magdalene, of Newarke upon Trente. Item I bequeathe to my suster Alicie Stapleton my mariage gowne of russet damaske, with the sleves turneupe with russet velvet and a plagard to the same, a kyrtle of tawny saten and a square patled of white saten and golde, a paire of sleves of cremysyn satten, one velvet bonet blake with a white frontelet of satten with golde, ij edges of silke womans worke of golde. Item I bequethe to Sir Hugh Yong my gostely fader iij s. iiij d. Item to Jenet Cowthorne and Agnes Dughtye my kepers, to aither of theme, xij d. Item I will that v nobles bee payd to John Swynelhyrste, of Alfolde, in the parishe of Longpreston in Craven. Item I will that Mr. Thomas Mylner als Longcaster receve xx nobles dewe to me at Martynmas laste paste of my rente in Langfeilde and Risheforthe, in Serwishyre,† in the diocese of Yorke, and that he cause one preiste to singe and pray for my soule and all Cristen soules one hoole yeare, and to gyve hym vij marces for hys labor. The residewe of my goodes not witte nor bequeathed I will that Mr. Thomas Milner als Longcaster have theme, and to distribute theme as it shall pleas hym for the helthe of my soule, who I will shalbe myn executor. Theis bearing wittenes, Nicholes Tyxton, John Walhoode, Sir Hugh Yonge, with oder moo.

[Proved 16 May, 1538.]

LXIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD SUNDERLAND, OF HIGH SUNDERLAND.

[Reg. Test. xi. 720.]

In the name of God, Amen. The thirde day of Januarye in the yere of oure Lorde God 1537, I, Richarde Sunderlande,‡

* Widow of Henry Hamerton, No. 57, and daughter of Christopher [illegible]. She died 3 Jan. 153⅞ (*Yorkshire Archæological Journal*, viii. 404).

† Sowerbyshire.

‡ He was probably, according to the Register, buried at Halifax, 10 Jan. 1537-8. His eldest son was Richard, not mentioned in the will, and from him

of Highe Sonderlande, holl of mynde and of good remembrance, makes my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge. In the first I give my soull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche or churcheyerde of Sancte John Baptiste, of Hallifax. Also that wher I have geven unto Gilbert and William Sondelande my sonnes certayn landes and tents in Northorome, called Heghfeldes, and also wher I have gyven unto Brian Sonderlande my sone a mease and certayne landes in Hallifax, I will that the saide landes geven to the saide Brian in Hallifax be valued by foure frendes, that is to saye, by Christofer Bothes, Henrie Batte, William Brodlee and Richarde Stanclif, and if so be that the saide landes and mease by the sighte and discretion of the saide my frendes be not founde as goode in valore yerlie as the one half of the saide High feldes, that then the saide Brian to have asmoche of my holl goodes as will make the saide landes as goode in valowe yerlie as the one half of the saide High feldes. The residue of all my holl goodes, after my dettes paide and my forthe bringinge clerlie discharged, I give unto the saide Gilbert, William, and Brian, my sonnes, evenly to be devyded emonges theme, the whiche I ordane and make myne executors, to dispose for the helth of my soull. These witnes and supervisors, the saide Christofer Bothes, Henrie Batt, William Brodle, Richard Stanclif, and others.

[Proved 10 Jan. 1543-4.]

LXIV. THE WILL OF THOMAS PERCY, OF SCARBOROUGH, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 308.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiiijth day of the moneth of Marche, the yere of oure Lord God 1537, I, Thomas Percy, of Scardeburghe, gentilman, hooll of mynd and of good remembrance, ordineth and maketh my testament and last will. First I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, makar of hevyn and yrthe, to his blissed moder Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in Sancte Marie churche garthe, of Scardeburghe. Also I will to Katherine my wif too houses with their appurtences in Scardeburghe, on house being in Paradisegate, and the other house being in Langstrete,

descended Langdale Sunderland, who impoverished his estate for the royal cause and sold High Sunderland, 1650. There is an interesting account of this quaint old house in the *Bradford Antiquary*, vol. ii. 221.

neighe the Blakefreres in Scardeburghe. Also I will that the said Katherine my wif shall have for ever the said too houses, with al their appurtenances belonging to them, to gif and to sell at her pleasor, and to make her heires at her pleasor, without any interuption other of man or woman. Also I bequeath to every place of the freres within the towne of Scardeburghe xx d. Also I will that Katherine my wif shall have the comon taverne neigh the coman haull in Scardeburghe. Also I bequeath to John Sympson, the son of William Sympson, on brasse pott, on mattres or coverlett, and on pare of hardyngsheites. The residue of all my goodes I herteley gyve them unto Katherine my wif, whiche Katherine I orden my full executrix, to dispose for my saull helthe. Theis beyng wittenes, Sir William Marton, priest, William Pullay and Roberte Banke.

[Proved 10 May, 1538.]

LXV. THE WILL OF JOHN WODDE, OF LONGLEY, GENTLEMAN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 345.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vij daie of Aprill, 1538, I, John Wodde,* of Longley, within the parishe of Almonburie, gentylman, hooll in mynde and good of remembrance, makithe this my last will. First I give my saull unto Almightie God, by the intercession of oure blissid ladie, and all the celestiall company of heven, and my bodie to be buried before Sanct Nicholas, within the parishe churche of Allmonburie. Also I give unto the servyce of oure blissed ladie viij s. Item I give unto the servyce of Sanct Nicholas, at Allmondburie, other viij s. The residue of my goodes not gyven I give unto Isabell Beamont, the doughter of Aymer Beamont, of the Ookes, to pay my dettes withall, if the law will not suffer that Richarde Beamont, of Wytelay hall, esquier, have certayn of my landes to pay them withall; whiche Isabel Beamont I orden and makes my executrix, for to dispose the rest of my goodes for the healthe of my saull. Thes witnes, Sir Richarde Hepworthe, preist, Richarde Appylyerde, Olyver Hoylle, John Woode, of the Height, and William Heptonstall, and many other.

[Proved 7 June, 1538.]

* Son of George Wood, of Longley. His *Inquisitio post mort.* was taken 12 Nov. 32 Hen. VIII, when Cecilia, wife of Thomas Savile, of Exley, Johanna, wife of William Ramsden, and Elizabeth, wife of Robert Kay, were found to be his heirs, though they are not mentioned in the will. It was through the above marriage that the Ramsden family first obtained a footing at Longley Hall, Huddersfield, and the neighbourhood. The testator is said to have married Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Beaumont, of Whitley.

LXVI. THE WILL OF GEORGE DEYVILL, OF COXWOLD.

[Reg. Test. xi. 348.]

In the name of God, Amen. The yere of oure Lorde God, 1538, the ix day of Aprill, I, George Davell,* of Cukwolde, gentilman, hooll of mynde and good of remembrance, makes this my will. First I bequeath my saule to God Almightie, and to his blissed mother oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie and blessed company that is in heven, my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Cukwolde, in our ladie closset, and for that I give iij s. iiij d. to the churche warkes. To Sir Thomas Swane the gilde preist at Cukwolde xx s. To oure ladie gilde of Cukwolde vj s. viij d. To Sir Gilbart my curate my beedes. To Jennet Davell my wif xxvj s. viij d. To Margaret Davell my sone William eldest doughter xl s., and if she die, then I will that Anne her suster have it, and if they both die, then I will that my wif have xx s. of the xl s., and I will that Agnes Davell my sone William Davell wif have thoder xx s. To my sone George Davell xij li., a varon meir, one blake meir with the folowers, one cowe whit hedyd, x s. to bie hyme a ridinge jacket withe all, and all the apparell belongingo my bodie, and further I will that the said George Davell make no clame to none of my goodes and cattalles, nor have no maner of mellynge therwithe, but he to be content withe this my bequest. To my sone William Davell one whie meir, withe ij yonge gray geldinges which caime of her, and the bay bausson geldinge, and all maner of plewghe geir, wayne geir, coupe geir, and all other tymber out of occupacon, and all my woode in the Bellows. To gret John and lytill John, either of them, a yonge stirke. To Mr. John Basfurthe my whit nage and the old fallowe grewhande, and if he refuse them, then I will that Jennet my wif have my litle whit nage. To Jennet Kirkbie one branded calf. To the hie altar of Cukwold iij s. iiij d. The residue of my goodes I give to my sonne William Davell, whome I make myn executor, and my supervisores, Maister Ric. Lasselles and my nevie Robart Davell. Thes witnessys, Sir Gilbart Kirkbie my curate, my nevie Robart Davell, Sir Thomas Swane, preist, and Anthonie Metcalf.

[Proved 7 March, 1538-9.]

* There is a pedigree of Deyvill, of Cuckwold, in Glover's *Visitation*, p. 215, in which it states that the testator married Jane, daughter and co-heir of William Lawrence, of Mitton, and that his son William was twice married, first to Ann Bovill, of Newburgh, secondly to Jane Fox, of Thorpe.

LXVII. THE WILL OF ROBERT DEYVILL, OF COXWOLD.

[Reg. Test. xi. 351.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The first day of Decembre, 1538, I, Robert Davell,* of Cookewolde, gentilman, makes my will. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, and to oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the holly company of heven, and my bodie to be buried wher as it shall pleas God that I shall depart, her at Newarke upon Trent to be buried in the churche, and the churche to have the dewties therto belonginge for the said buriall. To the churche warke of Cookwolde xiij s. iiij d. To Sir Gilbarte Kirkbie, the parishe prest of Cookwold, one whit amblinge foill. To Sir Thomas Swane, the ladie preste of Cookwolde, xx s. To the perishe preiste of Newarke and to the chantre prestes of the said towne for *messe* and *dirige*, if I departe at Newarke, the day of my buriall xiij s. iiij d. To Sir Thomas Thornton, parishe prest at Newarke, to pray for my saull iij s. iiij d. To John Hardcastell and his wif xx s. To Roger Davell my eldest sonne all wodde implementes and all brewinge leddes, vesselles, and all my harnes, and all my rament that is at home. To the saide Roger x quarters of hard corne to save his farmeholde withe, and x quarters of ware corne, one dunde horse to make hym a ridinge horse. To Eliz. my doughter all my wiffe rayment and all hir juelles, and ij golde ringes, all my howsholde stuf that is at Angrame graunge, and if the mariage go not forwarde, I will that the said Eliz. have the goodes that I gave for the heir that I bought for hir, and that hir graundesir and hir graundam have the heir duringe his none age in ther custodie. To Eliz. Withley one whie beside hir wages. To Eliz. Atkynson my nurse one whie beside hir wages. To Cristofer Hardcastell one grey amblinge meire. To William Newall all my rament that I hade at Newarke, savinge my cloke and my sherte. To the said William one whit yonge awmelinge horse goinge at Angrame. To the prior of Newburghe vj s. viij d. To the Covente of Newburghe xiij s. iiij d. To Maister Lucas childer v s. To Mr Lucas suster xij d. To Mr Lucas servaundes within his howse, first to Henrie Vyntener xij d., to Georgie xij d., to the osteler iiij d., to Robert Chameberlane iiij d., to Rollande iiij d., to William Scoler iiij d., to James iiij d., to tow maydes servaundes viij d. To brother

* Nephew of the preceding George Deyvill. He married Catherine, daughter of Sir Roger Lasselles, of Brakenburgh. See Glover's *Visitation*, 602.

Peter iij s. iiij d. To John Hardcastell one awmeblinge foill. To Maister Cristofer Lasselles my gelding that I ride one. To Maister Richarde Lasselles one gray awmelinge stage goinge at Angrame grange. I will that Maister Cristofer Lasselles and Sir John Ledes, sometyme abbot of Bilande, shall have the custodie of Roger my sone, whiche is myn heyre. I will that Sir Rogear Lasselles shall have Georgie my sone in his custodie, and his parte withe Thurkilton teynde and the glebe lande for the behove of the said Georgie. I will that Maister Richarde Lasselles shall have Richarde my sone in his kepinge and his porcon. I will that William Davell have Rollande my sone and his parte. I will that Dan Henrie Davell, now beinge the abbot of Whitbe, have Robert my sone and his parte. I will that Sir Robert Boynton shall have Wilfride my sone and his parte. I will that William Davell have the farmholde callede Snylesworthe grange for the use of Rollande my sone painge the garsom. I will that Wilfride my sone have the voysom of one benifice callide Slengesbie, in the defaute of hym to remayne to the next of my sonnes, and so furthe to the last, and so all other farmeholdes in like case. The residue of my goodes I give to Roger, Robert, Wilfride, Richarde, Georgie and Rollande my sonnes, whome I make my full executors. Sir Roger Lasselles and Maister Richarde Lasselles and Maister William Davell shalbe supervisors. Witnes hereof, Thomas Thorneton, parishe preist, John Hardcastell, and William Newall, with other moo.

[Proved 3 Feb. 1538–9.]

LXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS RAWSON, GENT., OF WARMFIELD.

[Reg. Test. xi. 345.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xi day of Aprell, 1538, I, Thomas Rawson, gentylman, in the parishe of Warmefelde, make my last will. First I bequeathe my saull to Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the chancell of the parishe churche of Warmefelde. Item I bequeathe to the highe altare xij d. Item to the company of Grasyn* xx s. Item to . . . . . xx s. I make Alysone my wif my executrix. Thes beinge witnes, Richarde Wademan, John Jubbe, withe other divers, in the presence of Odys Sagar, vicare ther.

[Proved 10 Feb. 1538–9.]

* Gray's Inn.

LXIX. THE WILL OF LADY ELIZABETH HAMERTON, OF SLAIDBURN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 315.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Tertio die mensis Maij, 1538, I, Eliz. Hamerton,* late wif of Sir Stephyn Hamerton, knyght, seke in body and hooll of mynde and memory, do make my testament and last will. First I bequeathe my sawle to Gode Almyghtie, our lady Sanct Marye, and to all the sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be buriede in the parishe churche of Sanct Andrew at Slaidburne, befor ymage of oure laidye, in the sowthe syde of the churche. Also I give one mortuary as law will. Item I will that my goodes shalbe devydede in to thre partes, and of the saide goodes I give and bequeathe that my dettes, bequeathes, and funerall expenses be dischargede. Also the secunde parte thereof, moveable and unmoveable, I give to my doughter Marye, and the thirde parte I give to my doughter Anne. Item I give to the churche of Slateburn to the ornament of the sacrament of the awter v s. Item I constitute orden and makes my brother Richarde Hamerton and my cosynge John Catherall my leifull executors, to execute this my last will, desyringe Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Oswalde Wilstrope, knyghtes, and Mr. Water Striklande to be supervysors of this my saide will. Witnes herof, Sir Thomas Tunstall, Sir Robert Hide and Syr Uter Gilpinge, prestes, withe other moo.

[Proved 1 Aug. 1538.]

LXX. THE WILL OF MARGERIE LUTTON, OF EASINGTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 367.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxiiij day of Julij, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1538, I, Margerie Lutton, gentilwoman, late wif to Mr. William Lutton, of hooll mynde and goode memorie, makes my last will. First I give my

* Mrs. Tempest gives the following account of her:—She was widow of Sir Stephen Hamerton, who suffered for joining the Pilgrimage of Grace, and was the daughter of "Raff Bygod chivaler," of Settrington, her mother being probably the second wife Margaret, daughter of Sir Robert Constable, of Everingham. She was aunt to Sir Francis Bigod, who suffered death with her husband in 1537. According to *Foster's Pedigrees* her marriage covenant was dated 21 Hen. VIII. She was dead by 21 May, 1538, when Leonard Warcopp obtained from the king a lease of a chief messuage in Bolland, parcel of the possessions of the late Sir Stephen Hamerton, attainted, and then in the king's hands by reason of the death of Elizabeth, late wife to the said Sir Stephen (*Cal. of Letters, &c.*, Hen. VIII, vol. xiii. p. 412, qr. 47). Of the daughters Mary and Anne I have been unable to find anything further.

saull to Almightie God, to oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried within the where of Allhallos, in Esyngton. Item I do bequeathe for lyenge in the said quere vj s. viij d. Item to the parson, Sir John Wattes, for forgotten tythes, xx d. Item to the parishe preist, Sir Robert Miers, iij s. iiij d. Item I will that a preist shall synge for my saull one hooll yere. Item to evere preist beinge at my buriall vj d., to evere parishe clerke ij d., to evere scolar j d. Item I will that ther be gyven to pooer folks to pray for my saull xl s. Item to Margaret my doughter iij sylver spones, a cow, and a brasse pott. Item to my doughter Gracie Cotham a caldron, a brasse pott, and my best kirtle. Item to Margerie Cotham my best gowne, a gret caldrone and a brasse pott. To Mawlde Crathorne a yonge whie, or ells vj s. viij d. in money. To Margerie my servaunt v s., with a yewe and a lambe. To Jennet Clerke my servaunte iij s. iiij d., withe a yewe and a lambe. To Henrie Percie v s. To Henrie Cotham v s. Item to Cristabell my servaunt iij s. iiij d. To Jennet Warde iij s. iiij d. To Ellyn Gibson a kirtle. To evere one of my men servauntes xij d. Item I make my executor my son Bartholomewe Cotham, for to dispose and see that this my last will be trewlie execute accordingly as my trust is, and the residue to be at his pleasor, for to dispose for the helthe and the well of my saull. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir Robert Miers, curate, Sir William Pynder, chaplan, Robert Tois, Radulphe Hill and John Gibson, husbandmen, et multis aliis.

[Proved 23 June, 1539.]

LXXI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM SCARGILL, OF ROCHE IN KIPPAX.

[Reg. Test. xi. 342.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande v^c^xxxviii^th^, and the xij daie of August, I, William Scargell,* of the Roche, in the parishinge of Kepax, being hooll of mynd and good of memorie, makithe this my last will in the manner followinge. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of oure ladie in Kepax. Also I bequeathe to the common box at the said churche xij d. To Alice More iij li. vj s. viiij d. to hir mariage. To Edwarde Scargill xx s.

* His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken April 3, 31 Hen. VIII.

The rest of all my goodes, my dettes paid, and my funerall expenses maid, I give to Eliz. Scargill my wif, to William Scargill and to Waringe Scargill my kynsmen, whome I make my true executors, that they order and dispose my goodes as they most expedient to the pleasor of God and the helthe of my saull. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir Thomas Jacson, capellan, Thomas Freman, yoman, and other moo.

[Proved 13 Dec. 1538.]

LXXII. THE WILL OF ROBERT CRAIKE, OF BEVERLEY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 354.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xx^th^ day of Septembre, 1538, I, Robert Craike,* of Beverlay, esquyer, beinge of holl mynde and goode remembrance, makes this my testament. First I give my saull unto God Almightie, to that most blisside virgyn his mother oure ladie Sanct Marie, with all the celestiall company of heven, and my vile bodie to be buried within the colledge churche of Sanct John of Beverlay, within the oratorie of Sanct Michael tharchangell nye unto my mother, and to be brought to the churche and beruyde with all the holl abbet of the saide colledge churche. Item I give unto Isabell Craike my wif the aleise of my ij pastures of the wolde callid Hie Grenwike and Law Grenwike to hir and to hir assignes, withe stoke of seven hundrethe wedders and yewes goinge of the said pastures. Item I give to the said Isabell my wif all the implements belonginge to my mansion howse in Beverlay, as bedding, nappry, hanginges, chistes, cupbordes, brasse, pewder, withe all other thinges pertenynge therto, as it standes in the said house, except the parlour hanginges and the chawmer hanginges of tappistre warke, the whiche I have sett withe thre booles of sylver, chaiste and gilte, withe a cover, to the valore of xxx li., for painge of my dettes. Item I give unto my eldest sone Ric. Craike xx li. in money, wher of he haithe in his handes v li. whiche I did lend to hym, and then xv li. beinge in the handes of yonge Sir Rauf Ellerker, knyght, for the last payment for my chyne of golde. Item I give to my said son Richard Craike a basynge, with a newer of sylver, percell gilte, for the

* Son of Thomas Creyke, of Beverley, whose inventory is printed in *Test. Ebor.* iv. 34, and grandson of Alexander and Isabel Creyke, whose wills are in *Test. Ebor.* ii. 167. He married Isabel, daughter of Lyon Percehay, of Ryton, and from his eldest son Richard descends the present Ralph Creyke, Esq., of Rawcliffe.

terme of his naturall lif, and after his decece unto William Craike his sone and his here. Item a standinge cupe of sylver and gilte, withe a cover, with my armes in the toppe, a gowne of blake satten furred withe budge. To my doughter Margaret Craike, the wif of Richard Crake, a sylver pott, gilted, wythe a cover, with my armes in them. To my sone Robert Craike all the goodes, implementes within my mansion howse at Bishopeburton, as beddinge, napprie, chistes, cupbordes, withe all other thinges pertenynge therunto, beinge within the saide howse. To my said sonne Robert Craike the stoke in the Westfelde at Ryton, the whiche stoke is xlj kie and a bull, of the whiche xlj kie I dyde give my sone before xx^tie^ for dischargingе of his fermes. Item I give to my saide sone Roberte Craike ij aumbelinge meres, ij yeringe foolles goinge within the said West felde at Riton, a gowne of blake damaske furred with coney, a standinge cupe of sylver gilte with a cover and the image of Sanct John the Baptiste in the knope of the cover, a pott of sylver gilte withe a cover and a colobyne in the toppe, sex spones of silver and gilten knoppys, and rosys in the knoppes, a leas of tow tythes at Skitbie, my wif havinge theme duringe hir lif. I give to my sone William Craike a gowne of chamlet furred with funes, ij hundrethe shepe, the one hundrethe I give to hym by my legacy and the other hundrethe shepe I give to hym in the recompence of xiij s. iiij d. in lande by yere, whiche lande I shulde have purchest to hym; and if so be that my said sone William will not be so contentid and pleaside, then I will that Isabell Craike my wif shall have the said hundrethe shepe, and then she to purches to my said sone William in lande xiij s. iiij d. by yere. Item I give my said sone William a lease of a pasture at Myllyngton whiche I have of Sanct John Colledge in Cambrige, ij spones of sylver slipped at the endes, a white pot of sylver withe a cover not gilte, a goblet of sylver percell gilte without a cover. I give to my sone Hewe Craike ij hundrethe shepe and all my howsholde stuf at Huget, as ploughe wayn, iiij horses, one whit sylver pott withoute a cover. And whereas I did promes to give hym to his mariege xl li. for his childes porcon, of the whiche some the said Hewe hais receavede by certen parcells of the said some as it doth apper by a bill xiij li. xj s. ij d., and then the residue of the said xl li. to be fulfilde by this my legacie. Item I give to my sone Ric. Laken a gowne of browne blewe furred with coney, my tawney velvet jacket, a goblet of sylver percell gilt withe a cover,

the whiche William Thwaites laid to me in pledge for v li., and if the said William Thwattes do pay againe the said v li., then he to have the goblet to his awne use. Item I give to my sone James Vavaser a gowne of blake clothe lyned withe blake satten and garded withe blake velvet. Item I give to my doughter Margaret Vavaser, the wif of James Vavaser, one whit pott of sylver withoute a cover. Item I give to my sone Thomas Craike a gowne of russett clothe furred with buge, and my best dublett of tawney satten. I give for his childes porcon fortie markes to be taken of my goodes, the whiche fortie markes I will that Isabell my wif have in hir gydinge, and not to mynishe it, but rather to putt it forwarde to his proffet, and I will that my sone Thomas have no part of the said xl markes in his kepinge unto suche tyme as he shalbe of lawful age and discrecion for to gied itt. Item I give to William Craike, sone and here to Richarde Craike, xx li., the whiche beinge in the handes of Maister William Babthorpe to the behof of the said William Craike and Frauncys Babthorpe, whiche he shall marie, that beinge the last some of his mariege money, the whiche my cosynge Babthorpe is bounde to pay to me. And I give unto the said William my howse in Keldgait which William Grishopper, glover, latelie did dwell in, and now Ric. Cruell, barber, dothe dwell in the saide house, it for to remayne unto the saide William Craike and to Francys Babthorpe his wif. Item I give to Maister Slater, doctor in divinitie, to synge for my saull one holl yere after my departinge, after vij markes by yere, to the parson of Sanct Nycholase churche to pray for my saull xiij s. iiij d., to Sir Geffray Geffrason vj s. viij d., to Sir Nicholas Well vj s. viij d., to Sir John Thomson vj s. viij d. The residue of all my goodes, my dettes paide, and my will fulfilled, I give unto Isabell my wif, whome I orden my soll executrix, and she to dispose for the healthe of my saull as she shall thinke expedient and goode. Item I have desyrede Sir Richarde Paige, knyght, Mr. William Babthorpe, esquyer, Mr. Robert Waide, bashler in divynitie, and Robert Raffylles, brasier, for to be supervisors of this my will, and I bequeathe unto evere one of them xx s. Thes beinge witnes, Sir Robert Sonely, prest, Sir Geffray Geffrason, prest, Sir Nicholas Mell, parson, William Brodinge, Mr. Doctor Slater, Robert Watton, James Crannysmure.

Proved 16 March, 1538–9, by the executrix.]

LXXIII. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER BRADFORD, OF DARRINGTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 481.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xvth day of Januarij, in the thirtie yere of the reigne of oure soveraigme lorde Kinge Henrie theght, I, Christofer Bradforde,* beinge of holl and perfite mynde, and not vexede ne troubled with seknes, lovinge be to God, makith my last will in manner and forme followinge. First I bequeath my saull to Almightie God, our ladie, and all the sanctes in heven, my bodie to be buriede in the parishe churche of Darington. Item I bequeath to my curate accordinge to the kinges gracie is acte x s. Item I bequeath to my curate for tithes and oblacons forgotten and not paid iij s. iiij d., to the churche of Darington xxvj s. viij d., to one preste to synge messe for my saull, my father, my moders soules, my brother Walter Bradforde saull, and all Cristen saules, xiij marc for ij yeres in the churche of Darington. Item I will my wif give in almos the day of my buriall fyve markes and no more to neybours. Item I give to Isabell Bradforde to her mariadge lv markes and my close behynde the Freres in Pomfret for spacie of xv yeres, accordinge to a surrender thereof gyven to her in xxix Henrici octavi. Item I bequeath to Bawldwyne Yonge vj li. I lente unto hyme to pay Mr. Stringer when he was in his trouble at Yorke, and all other thinges he owethe to me and dischardginge of all thinges betwixte hyme and me. Item I bequeathe unto Agnes Felde to her mariadge fyve markes. Item to Agnes Nout xiij s. iiij d. over and besides I owe to her, to Lyonell Nycholl x s., to Robert Lenthorpe a quarter malte, to Cristofer Lenthorpe a quarter malte. The residue of my goodes I give them to Agnes my wif, except v marcs whiche I give unto Bauldwyne Yonge and Helyn his wif, and I make the said Agnes my wif and Baldwyn myn executors to fulfill this my will, and he not to have then clayme no more of my goodes but that I have gyven to hyme. Item I give to Jane Lenthorpe to her mariadge v marcs, whiche I will Agnes my wif shall pay unto her. Item I bequeath unto John Carehouse xij d., to Roger Johnson xij d., to John Taliour xij d., to Alice Seinctpole xij d.,

* Most probably brother of Walter Bradford, of Houghton, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.* v. 283. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 14 April, 31 Hen. VIII., where it states that he died 24 February, and that Agnes and Elizabeth were his heirs, daughters of Thomas Bradford, his son. Agnes nine years old and Elizabeth seven years.

to Isabell Hyll xij d., and Isabell Elles xij d., and to Diones Crowder xij d., over and besides ther wadges. Thes beinge witnes, Thomas Oglesthorpe, Nicholas Elles, Robert Adam, Georgie Vicars and Robert Lenthorpe.

[Proved 3 Dec. 1540.]

LXXIV. THE WILL OF LANCELOT STAPILTON, OF WATH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 350.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God, 1538, the first day of Februarij, I, Lancelote Stapilton,* of Wath, in the parishe of Hovyngham, with a holl and a perfite memorie, ordans and makes this my last will. First I bequeathe my saull unto Allmightie God, and unto his blisside mother oure ladie Sanct Marie, withe all the holly celestiall company of heven to pray for it, and also I will that my bodie shalbe buriede withoute the quere dore of Hovyngham churche towardes the southe, and the same stone that lies ther to be laid of me somewhat hier then it lies nowe, the more eas for men to sitt one, and for thes I bequeathe to the churche for the maintenance of the same xx s. Also to the proctor for forgotten tithes iij s. iiij d., and for his dutie for the mortuarie laide downe as the actes awardes. Also I bequeathe to the parishe prest the day of my buriall xij d., and the clarke xij d., and a quye abill to bere the bull, to the sokeringe of his childer, not to sell hir. Also I chardge myne executors the day of my buriall to lett be borne about my bodie xiijth serdges, xij of them a pounde of pece, and the xiijth of thre pounde, in the worshipe of the Father, the Sone and the Holie Gost, and that serdge to be burned afor the sacrament, and the other xij serdges to be burned in like maner afor the sacrament and the sepulcre, every ij serdges at ons so longe as they last, and that if the proctor or the prest clame any of them, then I will that youe bere none, but light them at youre pleasure where you list. Also I bequeathe the day of my buriall, evere person iiij d. and no more, evere vicar in like iiij d., evere parishe preste iiij d., evere other that is saull priestes vj d., and those that have no service viij d., all scolers to have a penny, also to all the power housholders in the parishinge wher you thinke it nede iiij d., all pouer widues iiij d. Item xiij madinges evere one iiij d., evere servaunt in my house man and woman xij d., and Elisabethe Nesse a cowe and ij yewes to

* Son of Sir Brian Stapilton, of Wighill, by Jane, daughter of Lancelot Threlkeld. His wife's will follows in this volume.

hir mariage. Also I bequeathe to Elyn Richardson my servaunte one quie with calf, or a cowe and ij yewes. Also I bequeathe to the churche of Wighall xl s. To my nephewe Mr. Stapilton my yonge blake gressilde geldinge, and, so that he be goode to my wif, the tene quarters malte that he hade of me which I sett to xl s. Also to John Lelome the choisse of my towe swerdes. To Francys Metcalf my dager. To Mr. John Jeneson a blake trottinge stage, also the said Mr. John foure markes for to synge one yere for my saull, and to be withe my wif, and she to gyve hyme his borde. Also to Lancelote Conyers my godson xl s. that his father owe me, so that his father put the saide xl s. in a stoke to go forwarde to thuse of the saide childe, and if his father will not so do immediatelie after my dethe, then the saide xl s. to be paide to myne executors. To my suster Jane Conyers tow quies withe calf or towe kie, and to my brother hir husbande four yewes, and to Margaret his doughter ij yewes. To Robert Jeneson one of my jackettes and a pare of hosse and an oxe. To Christofer Jeneson the one of the oxen that he hais at this day and my wodeknyff, and one of my bigest shertes and vj s. viij d., and my blake hate that I ride withall. To Brian Lelome the other of my swerdes and my tawney chamlett dublett, a shert and a pare of boottes. Also to Mr. Stapilton all my howndes. To Richard Vyncent, of Smeton, my best crosse bowe. To Cristofer Jeneson my bygest horne flowede withe sylver. To yonge William Stapilton all my longe bowes and my quyver, withe my best horne and the foll that soukes olde maire at this day. To Hovingham churche my chamlett gowne, so that they make a vestement of it, and my litle processioner. To John Thompson a jackett and a shert. To Robert Osmonde towe yewes withe ther lambes. To Sir William Seman my quaile nett and my flight nett. To Brian Lelome all my partrike nettes called a tonnell, and my towe partrike horse. To John Andrewe a jackett and xij d. To Sir William Edwarde iij s. iiij d. All the residue of my goodes to my wif, whome I make my sole executrice, so that she pay all my dettes, legacies, and make my funerall expenses, and Mr. John Jeneson to be supervisor. Item I will that my nephew Mr. Robert Stapilton, of Wighall, shall have my terme of yeres whiche I have in the Northe Ynge and Nobbes, after the dececе of Isabell my wif. Witnessys, Mr. Robert Stapilton, of Wighill, esquyer, and Robert Conyers, of Langton of Swalle, esquier, and Mr. John Jenyson, prest, and Sir William Edwarde, prest, and Nicholase Bullocke, gentilman.

[Proved 21 April, 1539.]

LXXV. THE WILL OF RICHARD HAMERTON, OF SLAIDBURN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 357.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. 1538, nono die Marcij, I, Richarde Hamerton,* seke in bodie and of holl mynde and memorie, doth make my testament and last will. In the first I give my saull to God Almightie, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holy company of heven, and my bodie to be buried within oure ladie quere in the parishe churche of Sanct Andrew at Slaidburne, and I give one mortuary as the law will. Item I give to the anorment of the blessed sacrament beinge within the saide churche iij s. iiij d. Item I will that Agnes my wif shall have hir parte of goodes, and I will that all the rest of my goodes not bequethede, after that my dettes and funerall expenses be dischargede, shall be equally devyded emonge all my childer, familier and not famylier, if the law will suffer, and if the law will not suffer it, then I give my parte of all my goodes to Richarde, Anne and Eliz. my childer. Item I will and doth desier Maister John Hamerton, of Pomfrete, to take John my sone and his goods. Item I desier Maister John Middleton to take Ric. my sone and his goods. Item I give to Sir Thomas Tunstall, prest, vj s. viiij d., and to Arthure Rawlyn I give vj s. viiij d, and to Robart Sygeswike my best why stirke. I make Agnes my wif and John my sone myn executors. I ordan the above named Maister Johu Hamerton, of Pomfret, supervisor of this my will, desirenge my good cosing Mr. Warcope to be good to my wif and my children. Witnes hereof, John Katherall, gentilman, Sir Thomas Tunstall, Sir James Cloghe, Sir Robert Hyd, prestes, Arthur Rawlyn, Robert Sigeswicke, John Tylotson, Thomas Cart, with other moo.

[Proved 23 April, 1539.]

LXXVI. THE WILL OF JAMES RAWSON, OF STOTFOLD, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 359.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvijth day of Aprill, in the yere of oure Lorde God 1539, I, Jamys Rawson,†

* Mr. Tempest says that:—He was younger brother to Sir Stephen Hamerton. He married Agnes, daughter of John Sedgwick, of Dent (*Visitation*, [illegible]). The eldest son Richard must have died young, as the son John, who was to be educated by John Hamerton, of Pontefract, succeeded to the family property. According to Flower's *Visitation*, 1563, Richard had also issued Thomas and William. The John Hamerton, of Pontefract, was of Hamerton and Preston Jacklyn, sub-controller of the Household to Henry VIII and Queen Mary, and a distant cousin of the testator's.

† There is a pedigree of Rawson, of Bessacar, in Glover's *Visitation*, [illegible] James Rawson, of Fryston, who married Elizabeth, daughter of

of Stokefelde, in the countie of Yorke, sqwier, of hooll mynde and memorie, dothe make this my last will. First I bequeathe my saule to God Almightie, and to his blissed mother oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the blissed sanctes of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the hie quere of Hooton Pannell. Also I bequeathe for my mortuarie after the custome of the statutes. Also to the hie altar for tythes and offerandes forgotten xij d. Also to Isabell Campion ij s., also to every one of my servauntes xij d. Also to Anne, Marie and Isabell, my doughters, every one of them, x markes for ther childe partes. Also I will Jennet my wif have the thirde parte of all my goodes. Residue of all my goodes not bequest I give to Alveray Rawson my sone and Cristofer Turton my sone in lawe, whom I make my executors, and they to bringe me furthe honestlie on the day of my funerall. Witnes hereof, Sir William Sheparde, vicar, Ric. Ellys, Thomas Wycham and William Cooke.

[Proved 24 April, 1539.]

LXXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN YATTES, ALDERMAN, OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. xi. 405.]

June 29, 1539, John Yattes, one of the aldermen of the towne of Notingham. To be beried in the churche of St. Maries, of Not', afor our ladie quere. To the reparacons of the church of Sancte Maries, of Not', vj s. viij d., besides my buriall noble. To the Trinite Gilde of Sancte Maris church x s. To the reparacons of Trente briges x s. To evere servaunte in my house at this day xij d. To Thomas Globe my servante and prentis iij s. iiij d. and his indentures. To Anne Pickerde my wyves cosyn x s. To John Pickerd and Alice his wif tow gowne clothes of blake. I will that ther be gyven xiij gownes of blake to xiij power peple. My blake furred gowne to Henrie Dedicke, of Loghboroo. To Thomas Dedicke, of London, a jacket withe sleves of clothe, a dublet sleved withe chamlet, and a tawne chamlet jerkin, a tawne wolsted (*sic*) sleveles jacket. I will that a prest synge for my saull and all Cristen saules one hole yere after my decesse, and to be payde by the handes of my executrix, as she cane agre. I will that William Bolloke

Sir Brian Sandford, of Thorpe Salven, his son Alverey, and his daughter, who married . . . . . Turton, of Wakefield. This would probably be the testator, and Jennet must have been a second wife. There is also the *Inquisitio post mortem* of James Rawson, taken 18 April, 31 Hen. VIII. Alvared, his son, being 27 years old, with lands at Wadworth and Doncaster.

have my olde chamlet jacket, and vj s. viij d. I forgive him that he awis me. To Thomas Dedike, sone of Henrie Dedicke, of Lowghborrow, a jerkyne of tawne wolsted and a dublet of blake wolsted. Residue to Agnes my wif, whome I make myne executrix. Witness, William Atkinson, John Ascue, Thomas Chamberlayne and Olyver Symson.

[Proved 29 Aug. 1539.]

LXXVIII. THE WILL OF RALPH SACHEVEREL, OF RATCLIFFE UPON SOAR, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 416 *d.*]

July 12, 1539, 31 Hen. VIII., Rauf Sacheverell,* of Ratclif upon Sore, esquier. First I bequeathe my saull unto Almightie God, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all sanctes, humblie besechynge hyme to accepte it unto his mercie and grace, and my simple bodie to be buried at Ratclif, in the chapell wher Cecile my wif lyeth buried, if I expresse no other place in my lif. I bequeath unto my curate suche mortuary as accordithe to the ordre of the lawe. I will that evere prest that shall say or singe messe for my saull in the day of my buriall in the churche, wher my bodie shalbe buried, have vj d., to pray for my saull, and evere clerke being within orders and evere deacon iiij d., and evere other clerke ij d. And as for all manner of other chardges concernynge my buriall and vij day, I will thay be maid, ordered and done by the discretion of myn executor, all vayne glore and pompe of the world utterlie set apert. Also I will that my saide executor, immediatelie after my decesse, hire a honest prest to pray and do devyne servyce in the churche, where my bodie shalbe buried, by the spacie of one holl yere next after my decesse, for the saules of me, Cicele, my wif, my father, mother and childrin, and for ther saules, and also for the goode estates of all other persons whose names be conteigned in a bedroll remanynge with the said executor; and the said prest to have for his stipend of wages for the yere eight markes. And I will my said executor prepare a convenyent tombe for me and my wif, as shortlie as he convenyentlie may after my decesse. Also I will that Amye my wif shall have to her owne use all suche juels, plate, and housholde stuf, as she brought with hir frome

* There is a pedigree of this well-known family in the *Visitations of Notts.* [illegible] 1614 (Harleian Society), pp. 163–165, and in Thoroton's *History* [illegible], p. 12.

Staunton. And if any of the said housholde stuf be worne or gone, then she to be resonablie recompensed oute of hande by myn executor for so muche of the said housholde stuf as shall be so worne or gone. Also I will that evere of my hyne servauntes, as well women as men, now being in wadges with me, have a quarter wages to pray for my saull, over and above ther due wages. My trustie and fathfull servaunte, Anthony Roo, my trewe and laufull executor. Residue to Henrie Sacheverell, my sone and here appayrante, whome I require to be goode to my said wif, his mother in lawe, to his brother Rauf, susters, and my servauntes. My welbeloved brother Sir Henrie Sacheverell, knight, and my said sone Henrie Sacheverell, supervisors. Witnes, Sir Henrie Sacheverell, knyght, Henrie Sacheverell, gent., John Lane, Henrie Else and Thomas Morley.

[Proved 10 March, 1539-40.]

LXXIX. THE WILL OF WILLIAM LYSTER, OF MIDHOPE IN GISBURN, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 445.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxvij day of the monethe of Julij, in the yere of oure Lord God 1539, I, William Lyster,* of Medope, in the parishinge of Gisburne, esquier, seke of bodie and of a good remembrance, makith my last will in maner and forme herafter followinge. The first I bequeathe my saule to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Mary, and to all the holly company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of oure ladie of Gisburne. Also I bequeath to my parishe churche xl s. To Cristofer Lyster my sone and my heire one chales, ij golde ringes, one blake meyre and hir stage, and all my shepe yonge and olde, excepte xx^tie^ lambes whiche I give to Helin Lyster, doughter of Laurence Lyster. Also I bequeth to William Houghton xx li. in golde and one bay horse, whiche was Helin Thorpes. The residue of all my goodes, corne and cattall, moveable and unmoveable, after that the expenses of my buriall be maid, I give to Laurence Lyster my sone. Also I ordan the aforsaid Laurence of this my last will my holl executor. Thes witnesses, Sir Thomas Tempest, knyght, Cristofer Lyster, gentleman, Sir William Hyrde, prest, Sir Richarde Danser, prest.

[Proved 3 June, 1540.]

* Son of Christopher Lyster, of Midhope, by Joan, daughter of Sir William Calverley, of Calverley. He married Elizabeth, daughter and sole heir of Thurstan Banister, of Swinden.

LXXX. THE WILL OF BRIAN TUNSTALL, OF BATTERSEA.

[Reg. Test. xi. 403.]

Secondo die mensis Augusti, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo tricesimo nono, M^d^, that I, Briane Tunstall,* makith my will in this manner followinge. It is my will that my lorde have all my landes, with the evydence as he did give me. Item I give to Francys Tunstall my cheyne of golde. Item I give to my brother Middleton my farme named Tunstall, if it pleas my lorde. Item I will that my towe servauntes have ij horses, William the blake and Henrie the gray, and Henrie my servaunte to have his owne horse agayne that had the ball in the hede. Item I will that William and Henrie have betwixte theme foure yoke of oxen and foure horses. Item to Maister Doctor Hyliarde two yoke of oxen. Item to Mr. Chaunceler ij yoke of oxen. Item I give to my lorde all my ringes. Item I will that my lorde and my mother be myne executors, to rule and ordre all my goodes. Thes witnesses, Roberte Bushell, prest, Thomas Pilkinton, William Richmond, Henrie my servaunte.

[Proved 2 Dec. 1539.]

LXXXI. THE WILL OF RICHARD KAY, OF THE OLD HALL, WAKEFIELD.

[Reg. Test. xi. 397.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, Richarde Cay, of the Oldhaule, in the countie of Yorke, yoman, beinge hooll in mynd and of goode remembrance, the xix day of Septembre, in the xxxj yere of the reigne of Kinge Henrie theght, makithe this my last will. First I bequeathe my saull unto Allmightie God, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Wakfeld. Also to the highe altar vj s. viij d. Also I will that one prest say one trentale of messes for my saull. Also I will that Anne and Isabell my doughters shall have of my goodes the some of xl li., that is to say, either of theme xx li. after my decesse, unto theme by the lawe. And I will further that if it happen either to die afor they come to ther full adge, or afor suche tyme that they or either of theme have receyved and hade to ther owne owse the said xx li. a pesse, then I will that the said some of xx li. shall remayne to the other then beinge on lyve. And if it happen bothe to die, then I will that the saide some of xl li. shall go to Percyvall and Georgie my sonnes, and if either of theme be dede,

* It is probable that he was nephew of Cuthbert Tunstall, Bishop of Durham, whom he calls his lord.

then the saide some of xl li. to go to the survyfor of theme. And I will that thafforsaid Percyvall and Georgie shall have xl markes of my goodes equally devyded betwixte theme in the name of all ther childis parte. And if it happen all my said children do die afor thay have receyved the said somez or affor thay do accomplishe ther full adge, then I will that Anne my wif shall have all the said sommes to her owne use. Also I will that Georgie my sone shall have my parte of the tacke and lesse of the Seale duringe all my termes whiche I have in the same. Also I will that Anne my wif shall have my farmeholde of the Olde Haull duringe all my termes of xvij yeres, and also all the hole goodes abowte it, moveable and unmoveable. Also I will that my said wif shall have my parte of the mylnes of Wakfeld and Horburie duringe all such termes of yeres that I have in the same mylnes, and if it happen my said wif to marie at any tyme before my tacke and lesse of the said mylnes be expired and endide, then I will that my saide sonnes shall have the proffet of the said mylnes duringe all my termes then unexpirede and not ended. Also I make my full executrix Anne my wif. Also I make Mr. Nicholas Tempast the supervisor of this my last will, unto whome I give xl s. towardes byenge of one nage. Also I give to my brother Storrez, Leonard Bayttes, Thomas Cay and Robert Cay, everie one of theme, vj s. viiij d., also to Georgie Cay, Thomas Cay and Beatrix Cay, childer of Thomas Cay my brother, everie one of theme, iij s. iiij d., and to Ric. Thurlestone, son of Thomas Thirlestone, iij s. iiij d., and also to Isabell Rawden, doughter of Alexander Rawden, iij s. iiij d., also to Thomas Cay and Robert Cay my brether, either of theme, one gowne, also to Thomas Thirlestone my best tawne jacket, and to William Cay my marbill jacket. Witnesses, John Storrez, Leonarde Bayttes, Thomas Cay, Robert Cay, Christofer Steide, chaplayne, John Earman, and many others then beinge present.

[Proved 8 Oct. 1539.]

LXXXII. THE WILL OF JOHN BEILBIE, GENT., OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. xi. 438.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, John Beilbe, of the citie of Yorke, gent., of holl mynd and perfite mynde, the xxj day of Decembre, 1539, ordinethe my testament. Firste I aske oure Lorde God mercie and forgyvenes of all my synnes, and I bequeath my saull to Almightie God my creator and maker, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of

Sancte Marie, of Bishophill thelder, in Sancte Nicholas quere, and I bequeathe to the churche warke of the same churche vj s. viij d. for my buriall ther, and I give for my mortuary as the lawe haithe ordined. Also I bequeathe to everie power man and woman in the masyndings and prisons within the citie of Yorke one peny the day of my buriall. Also I will that vj torches and fyve wax candelles be burned aboute my herce the day of my buriall, and the said torches to remayne to the churche. Also I will that one honest prest singe for my saull thre holl yeres after my dethe in the churche of Bushophil aforesaid, and he to have for his wadges vij markes sterlinge everie yere, to be paide by myne executors. Also I give to John Beilbie my sone all my londes and tenementes, with ther appurtenances, within the citie of Yorke, and to his heres mayles for ever, and for defawte of suche issue, to the right heres of me the saide John Beilbie, thelder, for ever. And I will that John Aske, esquier, have ruyll of the said John Beilbie my sone, to he come to thadge of xxj yeres. Also I bequeathe to Helin Thomson my servaunte a gret brasse pott with kilpes, and I will to everie of my servauntes that shall fortone to be with me in service at the day of my buriall one holl yere wadges over and besides ther wadges due at my deathe. Also I will that the expenses the day of my buriall be mayde and done after the discrecions of myne executors, and I will that myne executors have ther costes borne of my godes at all tymes. I make John Beilbie, my sone putative, John Aske, esquier, and John Hargill, yoman, myne executors, and I bequeathe to the said John Aske a standing pece of sylver and gilte withoute a cover, and to John Hargill, yoman, a whit sylver goblet that I use to ett pottadge. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paide, I give to the said John Beilbe to his owne use. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir John Dean, my curate, Sir Christofer Petty, chapland, Thomas Warde, barber, Henrie Mayson and John Hewton, berbruer.

[Proved 5 June, 1540.]

[illegible]. THE WILL OF WILLIAM WORDSWORTH, OF PENISTONE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 483.]

In the name of God, Amen. 1539. The iiij day of [illegible], I, William Wordesworthe,* of Pennyston, beinge

* [illegible] has printed some Wordsworth wills in Vol. iv. of *Testamenta* [illegible]. This will is their number but not to the pedigree of Wordsworth, of [illegible] in *Miscellanea Gen. et Her.*, 2nd series, 41.

of holl mynde and perfite remembrance, ordinethe this my last will. First I bequeath my saull unto God Almightie, to his mother oure ladie Sancte Marie, and all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried within the northe churche dore of Pennyston, if it please God that I shall departe within the said parishe, or els wher it shall pleas God. Also I will that my mortuarie be ordered accordinge to the kinges estatutes. Also I bequeathe to the ornamentes aboute the highe altare at Pennystone for tithes and offrandes by me necligentlie forgotten or unpayde xvj d. Also I bequeath to the churche warke at Pennyston iij s. viij d. Also to oure laidie service viij s. Item to the service of Sancte Erasme iiij s., also xx s. to an honest prest to synge a trentale of messes for my father saull and my mother and myn owne saull, and a nother trentall of messes for the saules of John Coboke and Elisabeth hys wif, and for the saule of Jennet my wif, ther childer. Also I give unto Henrie my sone the copbord in the parlure that myne evidence ar in, with a mattres, a federbede with a bolster, ij paire of shetes, too blankettes, and ij coverlettes, and iiij silver spones, and the residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, I give unto Margaret my doughter, whom I make myne executrix. Also I will that Thomas West my sone in lawe, the whiche I make my supervisor of this my last will, to have the custodie and rewll of Henrie my son and Margaret my doughter and ther goodes unto they come to lawfull adge or mariadge, and then they to have the goodes without any busynes. Thes be witnesses, Sir William Benson, Sir William Addie, William Walker, William Hawkesworth, with other moo.

[Proved 30 Nov. 1540.]

LXXXIV. THE WILL OF THOMAS CUTLER, OF WORSBOROUGH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 590.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God 1540, the xiv daye of Aprile, witness that I, Thomas Cutler,* of the chapelre of Worsburgh, in the parishinge of Darfelde, beinge of holl mynde and gode remembrance, make this my last will in manner and form followinge. First I bequeathe my soull to God Almightie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried wher it shall please God, and my mortuary as the lawe willeth.

* Son of John Cutler, of Wortley. From the testator's son Lawrence descended the Cutlers, of Stainborough. See Dugdale's *Visitation*, continued by the editor.

Item I bequeathe to the highe altare of Worsburghe for my forgetten tithes xx d. Item I will that Elisabeth my wif shall have the thirde of all my goodes and my house that I dwell in, kepinge her sole with all the landes and tents. thereto belonginge, payinge yerlie therfor xl s. to Laurence Cutler, or to his heres. Also I will that all the goodes that I have bequeathed of the backe syde of my dede of purchesse, that is to saye, an yron chymney with all thinges therto belonging, and my best scethe, one paire of gret garnars, one gret arke with a stayge in the middle thereof, one chest, three pare of bedstoks, and one of them to have a fether bedde with sheetes and coverlettes, and either of the ij other to have sheetes and coverlettes thereto belonginge, one counter and one awmbrie, and vj gret chardgers of pewter and ij brass pottes, vj silver spones and ij maslyne poumes, that it shall stand in full strength and vertue. Also I give to Sir William Cutler my sone, the parson of Lastingham, one mattres and ij coverlettes. Also the residue of all my goodes, my dettes paide, my will fulfilled, I give to Laurence Cutler my yonger sone, and make hyme my sole executor. This witnes, Charles Barnbie, esquier, Thomas Barnbie, gentleman, William Jackson, parson of the half churche of Darfelde, with other moo.

[Proved last day of Feb. 1541-2.]

LXXXV. THE WILL OF HUGH CONSTABLE, OF CHILWELL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 441.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vij day of Maij, in the yere of oure Lorde God 1540, I, Hue Constable, of Chilwell, within the parishe of Adingborowe, make my will after this forme. First I bequeathe my saull to God Allmightie, oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and all the holl feloshipe of heven, my bodie to be buried in the churche of oure blissed ladie in Adynborowe. I bequeathe to the churche of Adingborowe for my rowme where I shalbe buried iij s. iiij d., to the churche xx d. I bequeath in brede v s., to every prest comynge thyder that day to say masse and dirige iiij d., to Thomas my son ij twintter bolokes, to William my sone ij calves, to Agnes my doughter one twyntter heffer, to Elisabethe my doughter one heffer calfe. I bequeathe first heffer calfe that God will send to Johan my doughter, and it to be brought upe. To my wif Anne my too housses with two oxganges of landes in Beiston by copie holde duringe hir lif, and after hir decesse to

Johan my doughter duringe hir lif, and after hir decesse to my ij sons, one to Thomas, the oder to William, with either of theme one oxgange of land. I bequeathe and will to be broughe whome honestlie of my owne propre goodes that God haith lente me, and I bequeath to Germon Mee children ij strike barlie, to the churche of Adynborowe ij strik barlie, to the churche of Beston ij strike of barlie, to the churche of Bramcowte ij strike barlie, to the vicar of Adynborowe one strike of sede barlie. I make my executors my wif Anne and my sone Thomas. The residue to be devyded betwixte my wif and my children as use and custome is. I make my supervisors, Sir William Halome and Hue Meyre, of Stapleforthe, and either of theme to have xij d. Witnes therof, John James, Ric. Roclif and Robert Walton.

[Proved 9 June, 1540.]

LXXXVI. THE WILL OF LIONEL PERCY, OF ACKWORTH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 440.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, Lionell Percie, of Acworthe, in the countie of Yorke, hole of mynde and goode remembrance, makes this my testament. First I bequeath my saull unto Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche or churche yerde of Acworthe. Also unto the hie altar for my tithes forgotten xij d. Item I bequeathe to the churche warke iij s. iiij d., unto Elisabeth Scales xx s. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, and funerall expenses maide, I do give theme to Isabell my doughter, whome I do ordan myne executrix. And wher the saide Isabell is impotent of bodie and not able to helpe hir selfe, I will that John Hamerton, esquier, have the rewell and ordre of the said Isabell and all the said goodes, and if he will not take upon hyme to ordre her and hir goodes, then I will that Thomas Bruke shall have the ordre of her and hir goodes. Also I make supervisors of this my will the saide John Hamerton, esquier, and the said Thomas Bruke. Dated the iiij day of June, in the yere a thousande, fyve hundrethe and fourtie. In witnes, Sir Thomas Huntington the curate, Roger Jakson, John Huntington, Roger Shepperde and Roger Hamerton.

[Proved 12 June, 1540.]

LXXXVII. THE WILL OF ISABEL PERCY, OF ACKWORTH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 440.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiiij day of June, in the yere of oure Lorde God 1540, I, Isabell Percie,* of Ackworthe, holl of mynde and goode remembrance, loved be God, makes this my last will. First I bequeath my saull unto Allmyghtie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Acworthe. Item I bequeath unto the hie altare for my tithes forgotten viij d., unto the churche warke x s. Item the residue of my goodes, my dettes paide, and my funerall expenses maid, I do give them unto Mr. John Hamerton, esquier, whome I ordan myn executor. Thes beinge witnes, Thomas Ranalde, John Huntington, Sir John Tomson, the chantre prest, and John Whitlee.

[Proved 22 June, 1540.]

LXXXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS THOMSON, OF HULL, ALDERMAN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 456.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxij day of June, the yere of oure Lorde God 1540, I, Thomas Thomson, of Kingestone upon Hull, Alderman, beinge of holl and perfite mynde, and in goode lif and goode memorie, consideringe the mutable staite of man, providinge alway that wisdome is a man alway to be redie and prest when he shalbe called upon. Insomoche aftre manner and forme followinge thus I do make my testament and last will. First I comende my saule to God Almightie, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the sanctes in the kingdome of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the Trinite churche in Kingeston aforsaide, in the southe ile ne unto wher my wif liethe. Item I bequeathe for my forgotten tithes and offringes iij s. iiij d. Also I bequeath to the Masindewe howsse within Kingestone aforsaide, equally to be devyded amongse them, x s. Item I bequeathe to John Barwike v li. chrisinge money. Also I give unto Georgie Mullit iij li., to Lyone Tison xl s., to Elisabeth Thomson xxvj s. viij d., to Richarde Barker vj s. viij d. and one bonnet, to John Squyrer vj s. viij d. and one bonnet, to William Drankes a newed dublet with one blake bonnet, to Thomas Millit xx s. a dublet of fustian and a blake jacket of wollen cloth, also to Jennet Wilson my servaunte vj s. viij d.,

* Probably the daughter of the preceding Lionel Percy named in his will.

to Thomas Barker my servaunte xiij s. iiij d., to William Thomson my sone, in the name of his childes porcon, fyftie poundes, also my brasyne morter with the pestell, whiche morter haithe my marchaunte marke set upon it. Also I give the said William, after the decesse of his mother, my golde ringe with the greatest saffure beinge in it; also to Thomas my son, in the name of his childes porcon, fiftie poundes; and also I give to hyme, after the decease of my wif, a golde ringe, with an other saffoure set therin; to Agnes my doughter, in the name of her childes porcon, fiftie poundes, and also I will she have after the decease of my wif my best bedes of silver and gilte, contenynge in nombre vij^{xx} and x, besides the gawdes. Also I give to Elisabethe my doughter, in the name of her childes porcon, fiftie poundes, and after the decease of my wif her best girdle. And I will that if any of my childer decease, or that thay come to lefull adge to make a will accordinge to the awncyent custome of this towne, that then I will ther partie be devyded emonges my childer. And moreover I will that Johan my wif have all my landes nowe at this day in my possession, wherein she is feoffed for terme of her lif, and after her decease I will that all my landes remayne to William my sone and to his heres; and if he forton to die without ishewe, that then I will that they remayne to Thomas my sone and to his heires; and if he forton to die withoute ishue, that then they remayne to Agnes and Elisabethe my doughters; and if they both forton to departe this world withoute ishewe, that then the landes remayne unto the right heres of my blode. Also I will that ther remayne in my haull howse unto William my sone a great candlestike of latten with xv floures or lightes therto belonginge, a gret longe table with a frame, a gret selleringe over the high dease in the said haull, and a buttrie in the same. And also I will that my wif for terme of her lif and myne heres after my decease shall yerlie cause an obit to be done in the Trinity churche of Kingestone upon the same day that I depart furthe of this worlde, to be done for my saull, and all my goode frendes saules, and all goode Cristian saules, payinge for it yerlie vj s. viij d., that is to say, to the maire for tyme being if he be at the saide obit doinge xij d., to the sherif in like maner viij d., and to the chamberlayns, to either of theme doynge ther dutie iiij d., and for the obit and bell man iij s. iiij d. And also I will that my wif cause make upon the stone whiche I have bought to lay upone

my grave a picture of latten for my self, for ij wives, and for my children, with scriptur about it and the iiij evangelistes, with my marchaunt marke set upon it after the best manner. The residue of all my goodes, cattales and dettes, what so ever they be, I give unto Johan my said wif, whome I make myne executrix, and that she dispose for my saull and all goode Cristen saules, as she thinkethe most necessarie and expedient to the pleasor of Almightie God and for the helth of my saull. Item I make John Langton and William Crokey, of Kingeston upon Hull, to be supervisors, and to either of them xx s. Thes beinge witnesses, Steven Clare and John Henrison, aldermen, Henrie Thurscrose, William Crokhey, William Thorne, Sir Thomas Peith, parishe prest of the saide churche.

[Proved 29 July, 1540.]

LXXXIX. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS SKEVINGTON, PRIEST.

[Reg. Test. xi. 474.]

July 8, 1540. Sir Thomas Skevington, prest, and somtyme wardon of the Frear Minors in Notingham. First I bequeath my saull unto Almightie God, oure blissed laidie sancte Marie, and all the hollie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the chancell of the parishe churche of Sancte Peter, in Notingham. Unto the highe altare of the same churche one pix of silver and gilte, whiche I delyvered unto Thomas Dawson in my prosperite for the same behof. Unto the chappell of oure Laidie in the parishe churche aforsaide one challes of silver and gilte, the whiche I will that Thomas Dawson and Agnes his wif have the occupienge thereof as longe as they lyve. Unto the parishe churche of Sancte Peter's aforsaid ij silver crewettes. Unto the chappell of oure Laidie aforsaide one vestment with th'appurtenaunces, that is in the kepinge of maistres Modie. Unto Agnes Dawson, the wif of Thomas Dawson abovesaid, one fedderbede and ij blankette, ij coverlettes, one covering with a tester of a bede hanging over. Residue to Thomas Dawson and Agnes his wif, whom I make my executors. Witnes, John Ploughe, clerke and parson of Sanct Peter's, John Jepson, Richard Burton, with other.

[Proved 13 July, 1540.]

XC. THE WILL OF MATTHEW BOYNTON, OF BARMSTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 431.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxix day of Julij, 1540, I, Mathue Boynton,* of Barnston, in the countie of Yorke, esquier, beinge holl of mynde and reason, perceyvinge my self sore disseased and seke in my bodie, and also perceyvinge that the lif of man upon erthe dothe daylie waist and drawithe towarde an ende, and that deathe dothe daylie pursue to man, and further consyderinge that nothinge is more certain to man then deathe, and that nothinge is more uncertayne then the tyme and oure of deathe, and dredinge the tyme thereof, myght sodanlie chaunche me, I beinge myndide not to die intestate, God beinge pleased, intendinge to provide for the helthe of my saull, and also that no discorde, variance, nor strif shall arise aboute my goodes whiche I shall leave in the world behind me, do make and declare this my last will and testamente in manner and forme followinge. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, my redemer, creator and former of all the universall world, and to the blissede virgyne Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company in heven, with whom I trust faithfully to be one of the same, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Barnston aforesaid, if it chaunce me to departe from this present lif within the countie of Yorke. Item I give and bequeathe to the highe altare situat within the saide parishe churche of Barnston xx s., and for my mortuarie accordinge to the king's most gratiouse estatutes and actes of the highe courte of parliament, and also I will that myne executors cause me to be broughte furthe to my buriall accordinge to my degre and after the custome of the contre. Item I give to Thomas Boynton, my sone and heire apparaunte, the carved bede in the highe gatehouse, withe the feddre bede of downe one it, with the velvet coverynge and all other thinges used upone, over and aboute it, to the said bede belonginge. Item I give to the said Thomas Boynton all the trussinge beddes of woode and all the portalles beinge within my manner of Barneston. Item I give to the said Thomas all the residue of my beddes and beddinge within the said manner, onelie excepte foure feddre beddes and all the

* Son and heir of Thomas Boynton of Rousby (whose will is printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v, 110), and Cecily, daughter of James Strangwayes (whose will follows in this volume). He was 19 years old at his father's *Inquisitio*, and married Anne, daughter of Sir John Bulmer. His son Thomas was three years old at his death.

beddinge that to them belonges, whiche I give to Anne my wif. Item I give to the said Ane and Thomas all and all manner of hanginges, and all the kechinge stuf and vessell to be equally devyded betwene theme. Item I give to my saide sone Thomas all my leade vesselles and all the tubbes, standes, barrelles, and all other vesselles belonginge thereto within my brewe house at Barnestone, with all my waynes, yron teames, yokkes, and all other thinges to the saide waynes belonginge, cattell onelie except, also my blake velvet gowne with the furre in yt, and all my silver plaite, in recompence of a cheyne of golde whiche my fayther bequested to me as one heyrelome. Item I give to the saide Anne my wif xx^tie^ kien, also after my dettes paide all my shepe at Langtoft. Item I give to Anne Boynton, Cicell Boynton, and Margaret Boynton, my thre doughters, nyne hundrethe markes to everie one of theme, thre hundrethe markes towardes ther mariadges, and if it chaunce any of theme thre to die, then I will that the saide nyne hundrethe markes shall remayne to the surveyvers. And I will that Thomas Goldesburghe and Robert Haldenbie, esquiers, my brother in lawe, shall yerelie receyve the some of c li. sterlinge of fermes and rentes yerlie of certeyne landes beinge within townes of Barneston and Brantingham, unto suche tyme as the saide somes of nyne hundrethe markes be hollie receyvede, accordinge to the true meanynge of a pare of indentures maide betwene me and the said Anne, Cicelle and Margaret Boynton, whiche berithe date the xxij^th^ day of May, in the xxxj^th^ yere of the reigne of our Lorde Kinge Henrie the eght. Item I give to my mother, Cicelle Boynton, widue, the mannor of Rouxbie duringe her lif naturall, and also all the setlinge and lettinge of all my landes within the lordshipe of Rouxbie and Grenoo, and after the decesse of my saide mother, I will my saide executors shall not onlie receyve the rentes, but also to have the lettinge of the said manor unto such tyme as my sone Thomas Boynton come to the full age of xxj yeres, for the payment of my debtes and performynge of this my will. Item I give unto my said mother my leas whiche I have in the parsonage of Yngleby duringe the lif, and after the decesse of my saide mother, I will that my executors shall take all the tithes and emolumentes of the said lease to thuse of my doughter Cecile to the tyme that my sone Thomas be of xxj yeres, and after that I give unto my saide son all my title of the said lease. Item I give to my doughters Anne and Margaret my lease of the parsonage of Bridlington unto the

tyme that my son Thomas be of thage of xvij yeres, and after that unto hyme. I give to Mathue Hill xiij s. iiij d. for the terme of his lif yerlie, to William Boynton xiij s. iiij d. yerlie, to Robert Hodgeson xiij s. iiij d. yerlie, to Robert Harland xiij s. iiij d., to Martyne Hill vj s. viij d., to Christofer Henryson vj s. viiij d., to Robert Hudderde xiij s. iiij d., to Robert Dixson and Georgie Herpham to either of theme yerelie xiij s. iiij d., to Richarde Kirkbie xiij s. iiij d. yerlie, to John Strangwaishe, my cousin, xxiij s. iiij d., to John Bartrame the chapelle of Sancte Oswalde in Newton, and yerlie duringe his lif x s. I bequeathe to Sr James Strangwaishe, knyght, my best geldinge, to Sir Rauf Eure, knyght, my secunde best geldinge, to my brother Thomas Goldesburghe my thirde beste geldinge and a meire and a fooll, to my brother Robt. Haldenbie my fourte best geldinge and a meire and a fooll, to Thomas Pyndre a meir and a fooll, to Robert Skelton a meir or xx s., to Allan Stakehouse a cowe and a calf or xx s., to Robert Hogeson xx s., to Richarde Carlyll xx s., to Thomas Ellerker xl s., to John Haggas xl s., to Robert Yowerde xl s., to Robert Hobson xx s., to Georgie Pyndre xl s., to John Caverde xl s., to Thomas Knages xx s., to Martyne Hill xx s., to William Jordan xxvi s. viij d., to James Malton xx s., to Wm. Humfrey *alias* Porter xiij s. iiij d., to James Lawder xx s., to my lakkay vj s. viij d., to Sir Thomas Raven, chapplan, iij li. vj s. viij d., to syng and pray for my saull and all Cristen saules within the parishe churche of Barnston one holl yere, and iij brode yerdes of blake clothe after iij s. iiij d. the yerde to make hyme a gowne. Item I bequeath to one honest prest to synge and pray for my saull for other ij yeres xiij s. iiij d.; to Anne Cottome a cowe, to Richarde Fox a stot, to everie one of my brewers, bakers and cookes a stote or a whie, to Elisabeth Waynman and Isabell Herpham a whie, to every of my other maydins servauntes ij s., to Mathue Smalwoode xl s., to everie one of my servauntes at husbandry iij s. iiij d.; to my brother Thomas Goldesburgh x yewes, and to my suster Jane his wif xxx shepe hogs, to my brother Robert Haldenbie x yewes, and to my suster Anne his wif xxx shepe hogs, to William Pynkney vj yewes, to Henrie Waynman six yewes, to William Wiske vj yewes, to my brother in lawe William Bulmer a yonge geldinge of thre yeres. The rest of my goodes and cattalles in Barneston I will that myne executors therwithe paye all my debtes and performe this my will, and if the saide goodes will not extende therunto I will they pay my dettes with my other goodes and landes, and if any remain I will they pay all to my sone Thomas after he be of thage of xxj yeres. I orden Anne Boynton my wif, Thomas

Goldesburghe, Robt. Haldenbie, my brethren in lawe, and Sir William Pynder, prest, to be my executors, and if my brethren do refuse to tak thexecution of this my will I will they have not the bequests, and in case my wif and Sir William Pynder, preste, do refuse, then I will that Sir James Strangwaishe, knyght, and Sir Rauf Eure be myne executors, which I orden to be supervisors. In witnes hereof William Bulmer, esquier, Sir Thomas Pynder, preist, John Bartrame, Mathue Smalwode, John Haggas, Robert Hogeson, yomen, with other moo.

[Proved 2 Sept. 1540.]

XCI. THE WILL OF ROBERT HOTHAM, OF ETTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 471.]

In the name of God, Amen. The iiij day of August, 1540, I, Robert Hothome,* of Etton, esquier, holl in mynde and perfite in remembrance, makith my last will. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall cowrte and company in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the quere of oure ladie in Etton before the blissed sacrament. Also I bequeathe to the sacrament for tithes and oblacons forgotten my best horse; also to John Anlabie one horse, v quarters of whet and v of barlie; to Thomas Anlabie one horse, to Isabell Anlabie all the goodes moveable belonginge to the haull garth at Scorburghe, to the same Isabell xx wherters of whet and xx quarters of barlie at Etton, one hundrethe of shepe, and xx li. of money, the whiche my wif shall pay her of one farmholde that I have taken for certayne yeres, and the same fermholde to remayne to my wif duringe her lif, and after her decesse to the saide Isabell Anlabie duringe the take and terme of all my yerres, and the said Isabell shall pay to Thomas Anlabie her brother x s. forth of the said fermholde. Also I bequeathe to Thomas Coldoke, his wif and his children xl shepe, x quarters whet, x quarter barlie, and ij yonge stottes; to William Hothome my sone xl s., to Isabell Coldoke xx shepe, towe kie, and iij li. vj s. iiij d. in money, to be paide furthe of the fermholde at Cottingham; to Etton churche xl s., to be bestowede as my wif and Thomas Coldoke shall think beste; also to the churche of Scorburghe xx s., to Sir John Stevenson, my prest, xx s., to Georgie Bruyster, my servaunt, xiij s. iiij d., to Richard Barker, my servaunt, vj s. viij d., to Henrie, my servaunt, vj s. viijd., to Sir John Baxter to pray for me xx s. The rest of all my goodes I give to Jane Hothome, my wif, whome I make myn

* He does not appear to be in the Hotham Pedigree.

executrix, and she to dispose it as it shall pleas God and as she thinketh the best for the helth of my saull; and I make supervisor my lord Nevell, sone and here to my lorde and maister, and he to have for his payne takyne iij li. vj s. viij d. to bie him a geldinge. Thes beinge witnesses, Maister John Anlabie, Sir John Baxter, Robert Houstibie, John Houstibie, Thomas Coldoke and William Clerke, with other moo.

[Proved 1 Oct. 1540.]

XCII. THE WILL OF JANE HOTHAM, OF ETTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 535.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xviij day of Februarij, 1540, I, Jane Hothome,* late the wif of Robert Hothome, of Ettone, esquier, makith my last will. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall courte and company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the hie quere of oure laidie in Etton. Also to the blissed sacrament x s. Also to the hie altare, for one corporax, my best kirchif. Also to Mr William Hothome my brother in lawe one yonge stage. Also to John Anlabie my sone and here one silver salte, iiij oxen, ij horse, one yron bune wayne, one cowpe with the gere therto belonginge, one pleughe with the pleughe gere, and xx^tie^ yewes. Also to John Anlabie, my sone sone, one stage with one silver tablite. Also to Thomas Anlabie, my sone, one yonge horse and also the rest of my yewes and take of the Close Howse. Also I bequeathe to my doughters Jane Coldoke, Isabell Anlabie, and to Elisabeth Anlabie my best girdle, also to Jane Coldoke my doughter my best crowkes, also to Elisabeth Anlabie my doughter xx quarters of whett and xx quarters of barlie. Also to Frauncis Coldoke one quye with ij gymber lambes, also to Isabell Coldoke one quye, also to Malde Coldoke one quye with my best coffer, also to Margaret Coldoke and Jane Coldoke to eyther of theme one whie, also to William Coldoke, Peter, Alice and Elisabethe, to evere one of theme ij gymber lambes, also to Jennet Bowdowne one quye, my warkday gowne with one fushian kirtle, also to Jennet Harbottle one fushian kirtle, also to John Walker iiij bushels of barlie; also to Alane Chote, to Thomas Beke, to John Watsone and to John Erstone, to evere one of theme, ij bushels of barlie, also to Jennet Carre and to Alice Rustone to eyther of theme one bushell of whet, also to my laidie priores with her ij susters iiij bushelles of whet, also Dame Custance my goddoughter iij s.

* Widow of the preceding Robert Hotham.

iiij d., also to William Hothome one horse, also to Georgie Bruyster my servaunte vj s. viij d., also to Sir John Stevenson my prest vj s. viij d., also to one prest to pray for my husbandes saull, my saull, and all Cristen saules xl s., mette and drinke and one lyveray, or els iiij li. xiij s. iiij d., also to Sir John Baxter to pray for me x s., also to Christofer Flecher iij s. iiij d., also to John Howstibie iij s. iiij d., also to William Clerke iij s. iiij d., also to Thomas Coldoke x s. and one horse, whome I make the supervysor of this my will, and he to se it be fulfilled. The rest of all my goodes I give and bequeathe to John Anlabie, Thomas Anlabie, my sonnes, to Isabell Anlabie, and to Elizabethe Anlabie, my doughters, whome I make myne executors. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir John Baxter, Christofer Flecher, John Howstibe and William Clerke, with other moo.

[Proved 24 May, 1541.]

XCIII. THE WILL OF JOHN WRIGHT, OF PLOUGHLAND.

[Reg. Test. xi. 531.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvj day of Auguste, 1540, I, John Wright,* of Pleughlande, within the parishe of Welwicke, holl of mynde and perfite of memorie, make my will in this manner followinge. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, to oure blissed laidie and to the celestiall company of heven, my bodie to be buried within the hallowed grounde. Item I bequeathe to John Wright x li., to Elisabethe Wright x li., to Charles Wright fyve marke, to John Cloughe v marc, to William Buccler xl s., to Richarde Beaniles wif xl s., to every one of Richarde Smyth children, who be fyve, xl s., to Georgie Cloughe xl s., to William Picherde xl s., to Margaret Hent fyve markes, to William Battirsbie v marc, to Richarde Curle xiij s. iiij d., to the vicare of Welwike vi s. viij d., to John Arcules vj s. viij d., to William Hirdman ij s., to Thomas Carter vj s. viij d., to Rollande Murrey vj s. viij d., to Helin vj s. viij d., to Agnes xl d., to Besse ij d., to Julian ij s., to Georgie Thorp wif iiij quarters whet, to John Feron's wif iiij quarters whet, to Sir John Foston to singe for my saull seven yeres xl s. in the yere, to waite one my wif, with mett and drinke, to the churche of Welwike vj s. viij d., to the churche of Pattrington v s., to the churche of Hollym vi s. viij d., to the churche of

* According to Sharp's *Visitation* John Wright was a servant to King Henry VIII and married Alice, second daughter and co-heir of John Byne. Their son Robert was at the *Visitation* of 1584. He had two sons, John and Christopher, who were among the conspirators of the Gunpowder Plot.

Holmton vj s. viij d. Item I give to my wif all her plaite and the goodes that she brought with her. To Robert Wright my sone all my plate. Also I will that Sir William Constable, knyght, Sir Rauf Ellerker, knyght, maister Babthorpe, esquier, and Mr Walter Grymstone, esquier, to be supervysors of this my laste will, and evere one of them to have fyve markes. The residue of all my goodes I bequeathe to Robert Wright, my sone, whom I ordan my full executor. Thes being witnes and recordes, the vicare of Welwike, my curate, Bartilmewe Thorp, gentleman, William Carr and John Parker, yomen.

[Proved 28 April, 1541.]

XCIV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM DANIELL, ESQ., OF KILNWICK.

[Reg. Test. xi. 428.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, William Danyell,* esquier, beinge hole of mynde and memorie, the xxij day of August, in the yere of oure lorde God 1540, make my will in forme followinge. First I comitte my saull to God, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes of heven, my bodie to be buried in the quer of Kildwick beside Watton. Also I give in the name of my mortuary that that the lawe of the churche will require. Also I bequeathe to the parishe churche of Kildwike iij s. iiij d. Item to the chapell of Beswike vj s. viij d., and to John, my secunde sone, one house in Beswike, the whiche Thomas Warplay haithe in farme. Also wher as I have enfeoffed certayne feoffes in my landes for performance of my will as by the said feoffament dothe most playnly apper, I will that my said feoffes suffer my executrix to take and use yerlie xxiij markes of the rentes of my landes unto suche tyme my here be at lefull adge, and all that remaynes of my goodes and landes I give to Anne my wif to take the proffet therof unto the fulfillinge of my will, payinge of my dettes and bringinge upe my childrin, and when myne here shall come to full adge then I will that my feoffes relesse unto hyme all suche landes as I have infeoffed them in, excepte the afor excepte, for performacon of my will afor rehersed. Also I make my wif Anne Daniell my executrix, to dispose for me as my trust is in her. Thes witnesses, Brian Taliour, Thomas Warplay, Ric. Redburne, Henrie Redburne, and Sir James Harkey, cum aliis.

[Proved 7 Sept. 1540.]

* William Daniell, of Beswick, in the parish of Kilnwick, married Anne, daughter of Sir Ralph Salvaine, of Newbiggin. Their son William's will is at York, dated 22 May, 1557. There is a pedigree of the family in Glover's *Visitation* Foster Ed., 125.

XCV. THE WILL OF THOMAS LANGDALE, OF HOUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 471.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxv day of August, 1540, I, Thomas Langdall, of Holton, holl of mynde and goode of remembrance, makes this my last will and testament in this manner and forme followinge. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almyghtie, to oure laidie Sancte Marie, and to all the company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche yerde of Santon. Also I bequeathe to evere one of my god childre iiij d. The residue of all my goodes and cattales, my dettes paide and my legacies and funerall expenses paide, I give unto my childer to be equallie devyded amonge theme, and also I make my wif and Nicholas my sone myn executors to se that my dettes be paide and my will fulfilled, and she to be fullie content with her thirds. Thes witnesses, Thomas Clerke, John Andrewe, and Sir Thomas Norman, vicare of Santon, with other moo.

[Proved 1 Oct. 1540.]

XCVI. THE WILL OF DAME JANE CONSTABLE, OF WASSAND.

[Reg. Test. xi. 484.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xj day of September, 1540, I, Dame Jane Constable,* of Wassande, in Holdernes, widue, makes my last will. I bequeathe my saull unto Almightie God, and the blisside Virgyne his mother, Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of All Sanctes in Rudstone before the high altare. Also I give unto the high altare iij s. iiij d., and I give to the reparacons of the bodie of the said churche xx s. Also I give unto the castinge of a bell in the said churche xx s. Also I will that befor or after my deathe, at tyme convenyente, ther be *dirige* and *messe* saide in the parishe churche of Sillesthorne for my saull and all Cristen saules, and ther to be disposed vj s. viij d. in manner and forme followinge. First the churche maisters shall have the reparacons of the churche iij s. iiij d., and the curate which doth say *dirige* and *messe* shall have vj d., the parishe clerke iiij d., and j d. to be offered at the *messe*, and j d. in wax, and the residue shalbe disposed unto the most power peple in the parishe at the discression of the vicar or the curate. Also I

* Daughter and heiress of Sir Roger Fulthorp, justice, and wife of Sir William Constable, of Carethorp. The eldest son Robert was of Carethorp. She, with her son Marmaduke, purchased Wassand, and he made his will 1 July, 1558, and was ancestor of the Constables, of Wassand.

will that a prest synge for my faythe, Thomas Fulthorpe, and my mother, Agnes, his wif, and for my husbande and me, for the spacie of vij yeres, and he to have for his wadges vij markes in the yere, and to synge in the parishe churche of Rudstone. To Francys Constable xlvj s. viij d. by yere goynge oute of the Cleves eynde during the take of my lease, and he to be paide at the handes of my son Marmaduke Constable. To my son Roger Constable my lease of Northburton during my yeres, all my holl flock of wedders in Sixendale felde, towe hundreth yewes in Carrthorpe feldes. To my sone Marmaduke Constable all my draughtes in Sixendale, and the waynes and ploughes with all thinges belongynge therto, with all the kie and gelde bease goynge ther. Also I will that the other towe hundreth hoges goynge in Carethorpe felde go to the dischardge of Doctor Spenser for the payment of thre score poundes, if they will extende therto, and if not, to be taken of the holl of the rest of my goodes. To Marmaduke a basynge and ewer of silver. To Roger an other basynge and ewer of silver. To William Leavenynge xl yewes, and to Elizabeth Levenynge my best kirtle, and a cowe with calf. To my cossing, Sr Marmaduke Constable, of Everyngham, and my laidie, his wif, either of theme a gilted spone. To my doughter Rosse a dussen silver spoones with thappostles gilted of ther endes. To my doughter Margerie a litle standinge pece with a cover doble gilte, and a gilted spone. To my son Marmaduke a gret salte with a cover parcell gilte, and a dossen silver spones. To my doughter-in-lawe, my sone Marmaduke is wif, a litle salte with a cover parcell gilte. To my son Roger Constable a gret salte parcell gilte without cover. To William Levenynge a litle silver canne with a cover, and a gilted spone. Also I give to the sacrament at Sillesthorn iij s. iiij d., and to the reparacons of the bodie of the churche ther xx s. Also to my doughter-in-lawe, my sone is Marmaduke wif, vj kie goynge in Wassande felde. Also to my sone Marmaduke all the other kie and beas, yonge and olde, goynge in Wassande felde, and all my corne beinge within Wassande for the kepynge of the house. To my sone Roger Constable a standing bede, with the sparver and curtinges of whit and grene say, a fether bed, a bolster, one pilloo, ij pare of shetes, a pare of blankettes, ij coverlettes, a borde clothe of diaper, and a towell. To my doughter Margerie a bede, with the sparver of buckeram yolowe and rede, a fetherbede, bolster, pilloo, a pare of blankettes, towe pare of shetes, towe coverlettes, and a coverynge, a borde clothe of diaper, and a towell. Also to William Levenynge a borde clothe of diaper. To

my sone Marmaduke all the residue of my householde, that is to say, beddinge, with the napprie, buttre, kitchyne, brewhouse, with the darie. Residue of my goodes unbequested I put unto the full disposicion of my sones Marmaduke and Roger, whom I make myne executors, to dispose theme by the advice and counsell of my cossyn Sir Marmaduke Constable, of Everyngham, knyght, whome I make supervisor. Witnesses, Sir Richarde Warton, curate of Sillesthorne, William Collyne, parson of Gousell, Sir Thomas Pricket, chaplan, William Levenynge, gent., Richard Halberte, of Scanton, John Gossipe, of Silkestone, yonger, with other.

[Proved 18 Dec. 1540.]

XCVII. THE WILL OF GREGORY CONYERS, OF WHITBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 510.]

In the name of Jhus, Amen. In the yere of our Lorde God, 1540, the fiften day of the moneth of Septembre, I, Gregorie Conyers,* of holl mynde and of good remembrance, maketh my testament and this my last will. First I give frelie and bequeth my saull to Almightie God my Saviour and Redemer Christ Jesus, and to his blissed mother Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in Christinmans buriall. I will that *messe* and *dirige* be done for me at the churche wher I shalbe buried. I will that no penny doll be delte for me for concederacons movinge me to the contrary, and in goode concederacon of the same I will v marcs of money be gyven to my power frendes and neghbors, suche as my next frendes and executors shall thinke in ther conscience be most power and nedie, havinge les helpe by ther frendes, and most speciallie power housholders havinge chardge of children. Item I will that one honest prest be hyred and say messe and pray for me one holl yere after my death. I will that fyve pence be gyven evere Friday, enduring one holle yere, to fyve poure people heringe my saide prestes messe in the honor of the fyve woundes of my Saviour Christ Jhu. Also I give to the parishe churche of Whitbie x s., to be bestowed of one altare clothe, or els some other annorment aboute the hie altare, in the honor of the blissed Sacrament. I give to the parishe churche warke vj s. viij d., and for the same I

* Son of Thomas Conyers, of Whitby, and bailiff of the liberties there. His wife was Anne Reade, and from them descended Nicholas Conyers, of Howlby, who appeared at Dugdale's *Visitation*. There have been several wills of this branch of the Conyers family in *Test. Ebor.*

will my bodie to be buried within the northe yell of the same churche, and to pay no more for lyenge in the saide churche. Item I give to the reparacons of Whitbie bridge vj s. viij d. I will that my most inteyrlie beloved wif have, occupie and inyoie the leas whiche I tuke to me and her of the tithe corne of Newam and Dunsley, accordinge to the lease maide of the same. Also I will give to Georgie Conyers, my sone and heyre, Godes blissinge and myne, and all my landes, as well purchased landes as landes of inheritance, except suche landes beynge my wif feoffament for terme of her lif onlie, and after her disseas to remayne to my saide sone George. And also suche landes as I do give to my yonger sonnes, as her after doth apper, the whiche I do chardge and comaunde my saide sone in Godes behalf and of my blissinge to accomplishe and performe for terme of my saide yonger sones lyves. Also I give my lease of my closes nere my dwellinge house at Whitbie, the whiche my auncytors hath hade tyme owte of mynde in occupacon, and also my lease of suche closes as my uncle James Conyers now hath in occupacon, after whose deathe I have the same by lease for terme of xli yeres, to my sone Georgie, to have and occupie the same for suche termes and yeres as is comprised in the saide lease. And if it happen the saide Georgie to departe owte of this transitorie lif afor the saide yeres be expired, then I will the next heire have the lease, and so frome heyre to heyre. I give to Anthony Conyers my sone my holl lease in certayne howses in Whitbie, the which one Sir William Todde, knyght, did take by lease under covent seall of Whitbie Abbay for lxxxxix yeres, which leas I boughte of one Ellinor Still, of Whitbie, widue, late the wif of Rollande Still, who was husbande to Janne, one of the doughters of the said Sir William Tode, the saide houses nowe beinge in the tenure of my brother-in-lawe William Cokke and my suster Elisabeth his wif. Also I give to my son Anthony all suche implementes and utensils of myne as is levide in the saide howse, as a copper to brewe in, with other brewinge vesselles and other thinges, or els the price of the same, accordinge as is contenyde in one pare of indentures maide betwixt John Skelton and my suster Elisabeth his wif and me, whereof I have the one parte to shewe. Also wher I have gotten the office of the balzawike of the liberties of Whitbie to Georgie my sone, or Anthony, whether of theme chaunce to be myne heir, after the deathe of me and myne uncle James Conyers, with such fees and profettes as to the same office doth apperteigne, as by one graunte sealed with

the covent seall of the late monastery of Whitbie, more at lardge doth apper; in good consideracon wherof, because I ame as well bounde by nature and consciance to helpe my yonger sonnes as I ame bounde to helpe mine eldist, therfor seynge I give the saide office to my eldest sone and heire, I will that William Conyers, one of my yongest sonnes, have one annewytie of xl s. of my landes of Whitbie yerlie, to be paide to hyme for terme of his lif accordinge to a dede maide of the same. Also wher I have purchased sertayne landes in Scardburghe above the yerlie valor of foure markes to me and myne heres, in consideracon whereof I do give to Harrie my sone for terme of his life one annewite of xl s. oute of Esyngton, accordinge to a dede whiche I made to hyme of the same, and the saide lande in Scardburghe to remayne to my saide sone and heyre. Also I will that my wif shall resave sex poundes thirtene shillinges and foure pence to the intent and for the reparaycons of the houses in Scarburghe, that Georgie Conyers may have the same at such tyme as my wif have true knawledge of hyme, and have sufficient assurance that my said sonne Georgie shall justlie bestowe the saide money of the said reparacons. Also I give to Frauncys my sone the remandre of fortye poundes which I have goynge oute of suche rentes as Hewe Cottame hath in Esyngton lordeshipe, whiche is dewe to me by fyve markes yerelie, to be paide ewelst fortie poundes be roue whiche the saide Hewe aweth and did awe unto me, for suche costes and chardges as I laide forthe for the saide Hewe concernynge his sewte for his forme doyne agaynste his granthe mother. And in case my sone Fraunces be interupt or letted to resave his money, then lett hyme repayre to the recordes afor the Justices of Peace by vertue of the newe statute of contractes and bargayns of lande, and then he shall fynde the indentur inrolled afor the said Justices of Peace the xxix yere of oure lord Kinge Henrie the eght. Also I give to my doughter Margaret Godes blissinge and myne, and one hundrethe markes to be taken of suche lether as is in my barkehouse, and such lether as is not fullie barkit and redie merchaunteable at the tyme of my deathe I will that it be fully barket and wrought of the costes of myne executors, so that my said doughter Margaret have one hundreth markes trulie payde, and she to have the sum in full recompense of her childes porcon, and to clayme no more of my goodes. And in case the ledder beinge in my barkhouse at the tyme of my deathe be not well worthe an hundrethe markes, I will then that such money as is in my detters handes shalbe leviede

and takyne towardes the payment of the said hundreth markes, and if it will not amounte to the saide some of an hundreth markes, as I knowe well it will, if my goodes be well and trewlie delte withall, then I will that the said some be mayde upe of suche other goodes as I have. Provyded that if it happen my saide doughter Margaret to die afor she be maried or afor she come to the adge of xxj yeres, then I will the hundreth markes to be devyded emonges my aforsaide sones, Anthony, William, Henrie and Fraunces. I give to my foure sones the farmholde of Normanbie and the Est Close. Also I give to Georgie Conyers my sone and all my childre Godes blissinge and myne. And all my utensiles and implementes in my haull house and my parlure, that is to say, my gret countre in the haull, and all the bordes and formes belonginge the same, and all the sealinge warke and carved belonginge to the same I give to Georgie my sone, and no more in the haull, and he to leve theme as heire lomes. Also I give to my sone Georgie in the parlure one fair table, one newe langsettell, one newe copporde with a forme, and all the newe sealinge about it, and no more. Also I give to my said sone Georgie a fetherbede with shettes, blankettes and coverynge, suche as my wif shall think convenyent for hyme and his wif to lie in, also my grete brasse pot in the kechin, as one heirlome, also my blake chamlet gowne furred with fewnys and my sleves cote of tawne velvet. Also I bequeathe to Anthony my sone my best gray trottinge geldinge, my tawne chamlet gowne garded with brode gardes of velvett, and the foure quarters lynede with taffetay, and one sleves jacket cloked with tawne velvet and blake cloith. Also I give William Conyers my sone my blake gowne of cloth weltede with velvet and faced with bogge, and my dublet of tawney sattan. Also I give Henrie my sone my towe silver goblettes in recompence of suche money as I resayved of his in rewardes of his christinning money. And wher I have sex cottes of fence I will that evere one of my sonnes have one of them, and my sone Georgie to have the best and worst of theme. I give to my brother John Conyers one daker of lether to the valor of foure markes, my riding coyte at London, my longe russet gowne, one bonnet. Also to Thomas his sonne one quye with calf, and to his sonne Gregorie I give my holl boit fyve man coble. To my brother Lumley and his wif one angell noble. To my brother Rauf Skelton and his wif one angell noble. To the parson of Sneton, Sir John Postgaite, one olde noble, my best gerking, and my best velvet cape. To the churche

wardons of Esyngton to the use of the parishe churche and reparacons therof v s., and one candlestike of yron to be set afore the Sacrament. Also I will and comande my wif and my executors to make ernest sute agaynst my brother in lawe Robert Lacie for fyve poundes sex shillinges and eght pence, wherof foure markes I lent hyme in redie money delyvered to the handes of William Proctor in the presence of Robert Hastinges, and the residue therof for the arrerages of my doughters feoffment. Also I will that Brian Lacye and Elisabeth his wife, my doughter, have no parte of my goodes, for I have paide one hundreth markes in redie money for her mariadge. The residue of all my goodes I give to Anne my most trustie (wif), Anthony my sonne, William, Harrie and Fraunces, whome I make my executors. Also I make my brother in lawe William Cooke, and Sir Thomas Watson, my prest, supervisors, eyther of them, and to my suster Cooke xl pence of golde. Also I will that my wif have the order and governance of all my children partes to suche tyme the come to thadge of xxij yeres.

[Proved 18 Dec., 1540, by the widow Anne and sons Anthony and William Conyers.].

XCVIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD THWENG, OF ROTSEA.

[Reg. Test. xi. 463.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiij day of Septembre, 1540, I, Richarde Thweynge,* of Rotsey, in the parishe of Hooton Crancewike, of a holl mynde and perfite remembrance, makes my testament. I give my saull to God Almightie, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe church of Hooton aforsaide, behinde my stall wher I sit. And I give unto the highe altare of the churche of Hooton x s., and to the reparacons of the saide churche x s. Item to my brother Bartilmewe Thwenge one jerkyne of leder with thre fomerde skynnes. To my brother Sir William Thwenge my best chamlet dublet. To Stephan Tovie my Kendale jacket. To Lennerde Wildon my marble jacket and my satten dublet. To Diones Tovie my suster vj s. viij d. To everiche one of her children xij d. To Leonarde Wildon wif ij s., and to everiche one of her children. To my brother Bartilmewe wif ij s., and to everiche one of her children xij d. To John Wildon iij s. iiij d. To Dorithe Thirstone one whie of ij yeres olde. To John Sampson my best fole. To Mr Robert Waide my elder blake geldinge. To Sir William Clerke

* The will of his father Marmaduke Thweng was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v. 9. His grandson Marmaduke appeared at the *Visitation* of 1612.

my other blake geldinge. To Sir William Migely v s. To Sir Henrie Morwynne iij s. iiij d. To Sir Edwarde Wedall iij s. iiij d. To Sir Thomas Beill iij s. iiij d. To Sir John Wattes xx d. To John Wattes and his wif a mete of whet and a met of malte. To Robert Barthorpe and his wif a met of whet and a met of malte. To Thomas Barthorpe my best foill. To Martin Whiles xij d. To Anthony Garret xij d. To John Colson my worst chamlet dublet. To John Thristone a blake dublet. To John Ducke my best lether dublet. To Parcevall Rider my white hosse. To Mathewe Westerdale my worse ledder dublet. To Thomas Marques my lether jerkyne of bukeskynnes. Item I give to my wif Margaret Thwenge my gowne, my violet cote, with vj silver spones of the best and a silver salt, with a flate pece of silver, with iiij of my best kie. To maister Thomas Dalton ij singnettes. To Diones Sampson a yonge whie of ij yerres olde. To Jane Sampson a whie of iij yeres olde. To Elizabeth Anlabie ij s. To a prest to synge for my saull and the saules of my father and mother xlj s. viij d. for half a yere. To Alicie Hedie one lambe. To Elizabeth Thwenge xij d. To George Pateson half a quarter malte. To William Kitchyne a quarter barlie. To Richarde Bossell one lambe. To Richarde Johnson a felie foill. To Isabell Wright xij d. To Edmunde my sone my yonge geldinge. To John Bossall a bushell of whet with a met of malte. To Stephen Dailes xij d. To Jennet Huchinson xij d. To Agnes Casse xx d. To Shipton chapell ij s. To the churche of Estrington iij s. iiij d. for myne uncle Pateson if it be not paide. To Edmunde Anlabie my silke thrummede hate. To William Midleworthe my bonnet with slipes, and to his wif ij s., and to his childe xij d. To Robert Thornton a bonnet and a hate. To Gerret Grymston and his wif a met whet and half a quarter malte. The residue of all my goodes I give to Margaret Thwenge my wif and to Edmunde Thwenge my sone, whome I make myne executors. Thes witnesses, Sir Edwarde Wedale, prest, John Sampson, Parcyvall Rider and John Duke, with other moo.

[Proved 30 Sept. 1540.]

XCIX. THE WILL OF THOMAS BOSVILE, OF THE NEWHALL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 550.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The first day of Octobre, 1540, I, Thomas Boswell,* of the Newhall, in the parishe of

* Son of John Bosvile, of Newhall, by Elizabeth, daughter of Ralph Reresby, of Thribergh. He married first Anne, daughter of Sir Henry

Derfelde, esquier, holl of mynde and perfite of remembrance, and but waike of bodie, lawde, praise and thankes be to Almyghtie God, ordinethe and makith this my last will. First I bequeath my saull unto Almyghtie God my maker and Redemer, oure laidie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in oure laidie quere within the parishe churche of Derfelde. I bequeathe for my mortuarie accordinge to the lawes of this realme of Englande. Item I bequeathe unto Margaret Boswell, Elisabeth Boswell, Barbara Boswell, Lucie Boswell, and Helin Boswell, my v doughters, every one of theme fiftie poundes a pece, and to be taken of the ishues and proffettes of my landes and tenementes in manner followinge, that is to say, that myne executors shall take of the proffettes of my landes in Gatteforthe, Burton, Selbie, Barghe, Gresbroke, and a close called Cortworthe, within the parishe of Waith, to the use of my saide v doughters, unto suche tyme that evere one be fullie satisfied and paide the holl some of fiftie poundes towarde ther mariadge, preferment and exhibicon. And if it forton any of my saide doughters to departe the worlde befor ther mariadge hade, and befor the saide fifte poundes levied and paide, that then that parte of money that so shall forton to be unpaide to that doughter so departed this worlde and not maried to be evenlie devyded emonget her susters then lyvinge. I will that Elisabeth my wif shall have and occupie my farmholde and take called Cotes within the parishe of Alfreton, in the countie of Derbie, to her owne propre use, unto suche tyme that Gervase my sone and heire come of the full adge of xxj yeres, excepte my saide fyve doughters cane not have the aforesaide some of l li. apece, and if my saide v doughters cannot receave the saide marriadge goodes of l li. a pece, then I will that my saide executors shall ocupie the saide farmholde called Cootes to the use of my saide v doughters, equallie to be devyded emonge them duringe the nonadge of my sone Gervacie, and after the saide Gervasie comyth to the full adge of xxj yeres, then I bequeathe unto the saide Gervasie the same firmhold and take and all the saide landes during the residue of the saide yeres that I have in the same by lease of the late Abbote of Becheffe. Also I will that Elisabethe my wif shall have my farmholde at Hill called Sharp lathes unto my said sone Gervace come to lawfull

Sutton, by whom he had five daughters; secondly Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Nevile, of Ragnal (who re-married Martin Anne), by whom he had a son, Gervase, who succeeded his father. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 10 Oct., 33 Hen. VIII.

adge, and then the saide Gervase to have it duringe my termes. Item I bequeathe to one honeste preste to pray for my saull, and for the saules of my faither and mother, and all myne auncetors, and of all Christen saules that charetably may be prayde for, evere yere iiij li. by yere duringe the spacie of vij yeres next after my decease, to be levied of the ishues of my landes, and Sir John Garlike to have the same stipende if he be so disposed, and if he be not, myne executors and supervisors to sett in an honest preste at ther discressione, and the saide preste to say messe iij days in a weke, and ofter if he be prestlie disposede. To every one of my servauntes an half yere wadges to pray for me. I ordan myne executors Elisabethe my wif and Anthony Geire, gentleman, my brother in lawe. I make Georgie Nevill, gentleman, William Jakson, clerke, parsone of Derfelde, and William Boswell, gentleman, to be supervisors, and evere one of theme to have for ther labors xl s. Wittenes, Sir William Woley, my curate, Sir John Garlike, clerke, Robert Derley, John Hogley, John Cowlishay, and Rauf Halcroft, with other moo.

[Proved 19 July, 1541.]

C. THE WILL OF LAWRENCE KIGHLEY, OF NEWHALL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 542.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxtie day of Octobre, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1540, I, Laurence Kighley,* of Newhall, in the parishe of Otteley, esquier, of holl mynde and gode memorie, dothe maike this my last will. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heven, my bodie to be buried in the churche yerde at Otteley, my mortuary to be paide accordinge to the acte of Parliament. Item I give to the proctors of Otteley churche for my tithes forgotten iij s. iiij d. To Anne Kighley my suster xxxv markes of lawfull Englishe money whiche I do owe her, and I will that my executors do pay her the same of my goodes and dettes as they thinke convenyent. Item I give to Anne Garforth viij markes whiche I owe unto her, to Anne Kighley my suster ij kie, and also a bay mare and her follower in recompence of one other maire of her owne whiche I did

* The only pedigree of this family is in Flower's *Visitation*, Harleian Society, p. 178, where it states that Laurence Kighley was "a 6 brother out of the house of Lyncolnshyre," and that he married one of the daughters and co-heirs of . . . . . Lynley, of Skutterskelf. His son Thomas married Dorothy, daughter of John Vavasour, of Weston.

give to Robert Heghinton, of Richmonde; to Jane Kighley my doughter foure score markes of goode money towardes her mariadge. Item I bequeath to myn executors all my holl interest and title of my farmholde at Fawatter, other waies called Fayrewether, and also I give to my saide executors my holl farmholde, the corne milnes of Otteley, with all other my farmholdes expressed in the same leas, and the holl proffettes of all my saide farmeholdes, to performe this my will with the proffetts thereof; if so be that Thomas Kighley my sone and here do not put in sufficient surteis to the performance of this my last will, and if he do put in sufficient surteis, then I will that my saide son Thomas shall have all my farmholdes and goodes after my decease to fulfill this my will with the proffettes therof. And if my saide sone Thomas do not put in sufficient surties, then I will that after this my will be fullie performed and done and all the chardges therfor paide, then I will that my executors give the saide farmholdes of Fawater and corne mylnes to my sone and here Thomas Kighley and his assignes for ever. Also I give to Jennet Kighley my bastarde doughter vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to Laurencie Kighley my bastarde sone vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to be paide of my goodes and landes, to Laurencie Kighley my sone my gray geldinge, to Richarde Kighley my yonger sone my geldinge nowe beinge in Lincolnshier, also to Thomas Kighley my sone my better draught, that is to say, viij oxen, and also viij kie of my best, also one yocke of my best stottes, and also the better of my ij stages, and one maire, and one foll, and xl yews, and xl lambes, and also my twynters, that is to say, ij quyes and ij stottes, also vj calves, and all my wayne gere and ploughe gere; also to Sir Thomas Johnson, knyght, my litle gray nage; to Mr. Henrie Ardington, Mr. Robert Dyneley and Mr. John Grene, evere one of theme, one olde riall of golde for a remembrancie to pray for my saull. And I make Sir Thomas Johnson, knyght, Henrie Ardington, esquier, Robt. Dyneley, gentleman, and John Grene, myne executors. Witnes, Thomas Mawde, Stephan Pasley, Christofer Lyndley, John Vavisor, Percevall Kighley, Richarde Lyndley, and Sir Richarde Olrede, curate of Otteley.

[Proved 11 Feb. 1540.]

CI. THE WILL OF RICHARD BEAUMONT, OF HEATON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 525.]

In the name of God, Amen. The first day of Decembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God 1540, and in the xxvij yere

of the reigne of oure soverande lorde Kinge Henrye theght, I, Richarde Beamonde,* esquier, of the parishe of Heton, of holl mynde and perfecte remembrance, makith and ordinethe this my last will and testament. First I bequeathe and gyveth my saull to Almightie God, and my bodie to be buriede within the quere of oure blissed ladie at Heton. Also I bequeathe to the hie altare at the saide churche iij s. iiij d., to the comone boxe xiij d. Also ther is in my handes and the rest whiche I will mak furthe viij stokes to the upholdinge and the maytenynge of the ladie servicie at Heton, vij of theme is of viij s. a stoke, and the eght stoke is of x s. Item I bequeathe to Mr. Averay Copplay one bay stagge, to Johan Copplay his wif one bay mere, to Cicele Key my doughter vj li. xiij s. iiij d., in full payment of her mariadge goode, to be paid by the handes of Robert Beamonde my sone. Also it is my mynde and will that my manner and lordshipe of Crosselande for this ij yeres next ensewinge the ferme and the rent thereof go towarde the payment of certayne mariadge goode of Johan my doughter, and at the ende of ij yeres, turne agayne to Richard Beamonde, the sone of Roger Beamonde and his heres, excepte certayne lande whiche I have purchest of John Beamonde of the Pinke, nowe in the holdinge of John Beamonde and James Brokesbanke, and of yerlie valor xiij s. iiij d., and also excepte certayne land whiche I have gyven to George Beamonde my sone for terme of his lif. Also I will that Robert my sone shall have, occupie, and enjoy all my purchest lande lienge in certan places herafter mencioned, that is to say, beinge of the townshipe of Witley, of Lepton, excepte one certayne parcell whiche is nowe in the occupacon of Hue Crowey, whiche parcell I give to Georgie Beamonde my sone. Also all my purchest lande within the townshipe of Heiton, withine the townshipe of Huddresfelde, within the townshipe of Crosslande.

* Of Whitley Beaumont. His father Thomas Beaumont's will is at York, 25 June, proved 31 July, 1495. To be buried in the choir of the blessed Virgin Mary at Heaton. To wife Elizabeth all the goods what were given to me by the hands of Lady Alice Nevile, late of Hunslet. Residue to wife and children, Edward, William, John and Alice. His grandfather's will is also at York, 1 Dec., 1471. Richard Beaumont, of Whitelay, to be buried in the church of St. John the Baptist, in the choir of the blessed Mary, of Heton; to daughters Elizabeth and Alice twenty marks each. Residue to sons Robert, Christopher, Richard, William, executors. Proved 23 Sept., 1471. The above testator was married three times, first to Johanna, daughter of John Sandford, secondly to Elizabeth, relict of Sir John Stanley, and thirdly to Margaret, daughter of Robert Wyvill. His *Inquisitio* was taken 30 Sept., 33 Henry VIII, and his grandson Richard, son of his son Roger, was found to be his heir, 22 years old. Whitley Beaumont is still held by a branch of the Beaumont family.

Also I give to Georgie my sone all my purchest lande within the graveshipe of Marsden, within the townshipe of Sheplay, also one mease in the holdinge of John Herrison, otherwais called John Watkyne, also a nother mease in the holdinge of John Herrison, all one close in the holdinge of Henrie Beamonde of Crosselande, also an other in the holdinge of John Beamonde of Helme. This is my mynde and will that Georgie my sone shall have the lande afor rehersed for terme of his lif, and after his decesse to turne to Richarde, sone of Roger Beamonde, and to his here male, and for the defalte of here male of hyme to turne agayne to Georgie my son and to his here male, to goo to Robert Beamonde and to his here male, and for the defalte of here male to turne agayne to the right heres of me. Also I will that Georgie Beamonde shall pay xl s. to ij doughters of William Galthorpe, for suche lande as I give to hyme in Shepley, and in case that the one suster die or be dede, I will that the other suster shall have the holl xl s. Also I give to Margaret Beamonde my wif, Robert Beamonde and Georgie Beamonde, my sonnes, all my takes, that is to say, the take of Gawkethorpe, the take of the Smythes, the take of Dalton lesse, the take of Holmfurthe mylnes. Also it is my will that Robert my sone shall have all such landes as is her afore to hyme named, to have to hyme and to his heres male for ever, and for defalte of such issue to turne to Richarde Beamonde, the sone of Roger and to his here male, and for defalte of suche issue to turne agayne to the right heres of me. I bequeath to William Northe my grene jacket and his fermholde for terme of xx^tie^ yere, payinge his ferme to Elizabeth Beamonde, the doughter, one whit mer and ij yonge whies, the best that I have iij excepted. To Marmaduke my servaunte his farmholde at Huddersfelde duringe his lif, payinge therefor yerlie v s. I will that John Vessey shall have his fermholde xij yere, payinge ij s. in a yere, and if that my wif or Robert my sone will dwell upon it, then they and he to agre at the sight of Adam Hutchinson and John Woode the yonger. To John Vessy my russet jacket, to Hue Crowey v yerdes of whit frees of v d. a yerde, to Thomas Langley my canves dublet and my bonnet, to Robert Shepparde my whit hosse and my hate, to Thomas Atkinson my say dublet, to Marmaduke my yonge mere, or a quye, whether he will; to John Dransfelde one yewe, to Christofer Hewer one yewe, to Thomas Dransfelde a shirte cloithe, to John Coupe a shert clothe, to Richarde Beamonde the sone of Roger Beamonde my chales, with all other ornamentes

that I have perteynynge to my chapell; to the saide Richarde my cote armour, one yron chymney, a gret cupborde whiche standith in the buttrey, the buttre borde, one gret borde standing in the haull, the gretest yron spit that I have, all my bede stokes, my lede, and the gretest chist standinge in the malte house chamber; to Sir James Tode xx s., to William Nettilton x s., to Sir Edmunde Lee iij s. iij d., to John Woode a cote clothe of freise, to John Vesse a cote of freise. Also I will that Thomas Atkinson shall occupie his fermhold duringe the terme of his lif, payinge yerlie x s., onles that my wif or els Robert my sone do occupie it to ther proper use. I will that Richarde, the sone of Roger Beamonde, shall have the homadge and service of all the tenantes of the lordshipe of Lepton, with the signorie of the same, and also the fre rente. . . . I will that xx s. be devyded emongest power people at Ester the nexte ensuynge, at the discression of Sir William Pullen and Sir James Tode. The residue of my goodes I give to Margaret my wif, Robert and Georgie my sonnes, whome I make my executors, and ij men to be overseers of the same at the pleasor of Mr. Nevell, supervisor of the same, and they for ther paynes taken to have what it shall please Mr. Nevell. Recordes, William Pullen, curate, James More, prest, Adam Hutchinson, John Woode the yonger, and John Brooke, with other moo.

[Proved 21 Dec. 1540.]

CII. THE WILL OF ROBERT MAULEVERER, ESQ., OF WOTHERSOME.

[Reg. Test. xi. 542.]

6 Dec., 1540. Robert Malleuerey,* of Wothersome, esquier. I give and bequest my saull unto Almightie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and unto all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried within my parishe churche of Bardsey. Also I give to Dorithe and Anne my doughters xl li., to be equallye devyded betwixte them towarde ther mariadge or other promocion. Also I will that Alicie my wif have the custodie and kepinge of my chine of golde, whiche is in valour x li., unto suche tyme my doughters be maried, and then it equally to be devyded betwixte my saide doughters. I give to my father my bay amblinge horse, to my ladie my moither in lawe a golde ringe with a rubie, to my brother William my tawney chamlet gowne, my say dublet, and a pare of blake hosse; to my cosine

* Son of Sir William Mauleverer, of Arncliffe and Wothersome. He was buried at Bardsey, 31 Jan., 1540-1. He married Alice, daughter of Sir Ninian Markenfield, knight.

Leonarde my best bonnet and my best whitt hosse, to my curate, vicare of Bardsay, my blake chamlet gowne, to pray for my saull; to Bardsay churche, to make a vestment of my cremysynne velvet dublet and my blake velvet jacket sleveles. I will that a prest singe one yere at Bardsay churche for my saull, and all Christen saules, and he to have for his wage iiij li. I will that my brother Sir Henrie have xl s. gyven hyme agayne of that xij li. that he owethe me. I will that xiij s. iiij d. be wared in repacon of my faither closet at Bardsay. To Sir Robert Baker iij s. iiij d. To Sir Richarde Rediall iij s. iiij d. To Edmunde Sadler my leither dublet and my fresid jacket. I make Alice my wif my full executrix to fulfil this my will, and she to have all my goodes and dettes to me oweing, my self broughe forthe, my legacie and my will performede, to her owne use and proffett. Also I will that Katherin Bates have my felie at Harnclif to make her a mere of. Hiis testibus, Richarde Cooke, Robert Barker, Thomas Powell.

[Proved 22 June, 1541.]

CIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS ESTOFT, OF REDNESS.

[Reg. Test. xi. 502.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, Thomas Estoft, of Rednes, gentleman, beinge in goode remembrance the xx^tie^ day of Decembre, in the yere of our Lorde God, 1540, makes my last will. First I wit my saull to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Mayrie, and to all the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche yerde of Marie Magdalen in Whitgift, in the southe weste corner. Also I wit to the hie altare for tithes forgotten iij s. iiij d. To the Trinite altare xij d. To oure laydie altare xij d., and to the churche warke xx s. Also I wit to William Estoft xl s. To Edmunde Estofte ij kie, iij horses and x yewes. Also I wit to John Baldon xx s. and ij yewes. To Alexander Baldon, Thomas Baldon, and to Richarde Baldon the younger, to every one of them xiij s. iiij d. and ij yewes. To Dorithe Higdone v marc in money or pennyworthe. To Robt. Gunbie xx s. and a yewe. To William Bishope one yewe, one lambe and one whie calf. Also I wit ij kie to the roode light, or otherwais, as the supervisor of my will knowes my mynde. To evere one of my servauntes xij d. To my cosyne Thomas Saltmershe my best horse, or stage, that I shall have the owre of my dethe, one riall of golde, and an olde noble of golde; also Sir Robert Collyn one riall of golde, and one nage or stage awmblinge, suche as I shall have at the owre

of my dethe. Also one silver goblet or x s. to one prest for synginge of one trentall. To Sir John Plumber vj s. viij d. To Thomas Rude one yewe lambe. I will that I be buried and broughe forthe honestlie accordinge to the custome as nowe, with a penny dole to power folkes at ther dores throughe the parishe, and one honest dynner at home at my house. All my goodes, not gyven nor wit, I give to Edwarde Estofte my sone, whome I make my sole executor, and I will that he shall be at the order and rulle of my cosinge Thomas Saltmershe, whome I make the supervisor of my will. Thes beinge witnes, Alexander Buyker, Robert Lande, Robert Collyn, chapland, John Plumber, chaplande, and Thomas Focar, with other moo.

[Proved 9 Jan. 1540–1.]

CIV. THE WILL OF WALTER CLIFTON, OF GRAY'S INN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 500.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xx^tie^ day of Januarij, 1540. I, Walter Clifton,* of Graysse, in the countie of Myddlesex, makes my will. To be buried in the chapell of Sancte Sepulcres, nere unto Hedon, wher it shall pleas my frendes ther if I die in Holderness, or els in the parishe churche of such place wher it shall pleasse God that I shall die. I bequeathe unto Sir Gervace Clifton, of Clifton, in the countie of Notingham, knyght, after the deathe of Ezachie Clifton my father, all my landes called Poller, lyenge in the lordshipe of Preston in Holderness, after the decesse of the said Esachie, to the said Sir Gervys and to his heres male, and for the defalt of suche here mayll remander to the right heres of the saide Walter. I give unto my susters Alicie and Margaret, eyther of theme, xx li. to ther mariages, which xl li. I will shalbe paide by my executors, whome I will shall sell my lease of the parsonadge of Monkefriston, within the countie of Yorke, unto William Wilson, of Monkfriston, if he do kepe his late promes, and if not, it shalbe lefull to sell the same to any other persone, and of the same money to pay the xl li. to the mariadges aforsaid. I will unto my suster Jane and unto my suster Elisabeth, eyther of theme, fyve markes. Unto Christofer Nevill, my lord Latemors brother, my best gowne. Unto John Armyne, my tayler at London, my

* He is called in the margin Walter Clifton of Wilforthe in Notts. He was son of Hezekiah Clifton, of Burton Agnes, whose will follows in this volume. He died in the lifetime of his father. His sister Joan married Ralph Constable, of St. Sepulchres. See Glover's *Visitation*, p. 144.

secunde gowne and a blake damaske jacket. Unto Christofer Holme, of Paull Holme, Feherber bridgementes, with other moo bookes of the lawe, so that he do continewe and studie the lawes of this realme at London, at one of the Innes of the Courte, or of the Chancerie, by the spacie of iij or iiij yeres. To Peter Stable, prest, xxx s. to pray for me. Unto John Wynter a blake fillie which I have her with my father. Unto my brother Rauf Constable a blake stage of iij yere olde goynge at Wilforth. Unto Johan Wynter, wif of Steven Wynter my kynswoman, xx s. Unto my cosyne Edmunde Clifton a blake bay stage of thre yeres olde goynge with my faythers, and a dunde stage of ij yeres olde goynge at Wulforthe. Unto Thomas and Michaell, Isabell, Margerie and Elisabeth, everie one of theme, one yewe. I will my lease of Wilforthe unto my father, so that he yerelie give of the profettes of the same unto Sir Thomas Felton, prest, and doer for me ther at Wilforthe, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. yerelie, and if my father will not do in manner as befor is said, or forton to die within the said yeres, then I will the said lease to such manner of person as Sir Thomas Felton shall appoynte. I forgive unto Sir Gervase Clifton, knyght, xij li., and ode money which he owe me . . . . I wit my lease of Sepulcres to my fayther. I will that iiij li. xvij s. iiij d. which I have of Mr. William Thorpe, of Welwike Thorpe, remaynynge in my hande to be payde to one Pullande, some time eschetor of Yorkshier, to be paid by my fayther and my cosyne Edmunde Clifton, executors of myne uncle Silvan Clifton, owte of fyve poundes whiche my said uncle did bequeathe me. I will that wher I do owe to my fayther xx li., whiche he did lay forthe for me for x score shepe, I will that he shall have x score of the best shepe that he cane chowse forthe of all my shepe at Wilforthe. I will that Sir Thomas Felton, at Wilforthe, have ij of my best horse or meres and ij of the best oxen that he will chose. I will that wher my fayther hathe remaynynge in his hande of my exibicon dewe at Mychaelmas last past vj li. xiij s. iiij d., I will that vj li. therof be bestowede aboute my burriall and other funerall expenses, and xx s. to be distributed equally emonges the power peple at Wilforthe. And the residue of my goodes I witt to Ezachie Clifton my fayther and Sir Thomas Felton, whome I make myne executors. I will that the said Sir Thomas shall occupie the farmholde of Wilforthe for my fayther as he haithe done for me. Unto my cosyn Edmunde Clifton fyve markes whiche I do owe hyme for the advowson of Wilforthe. Unto Henrie Grover, dwellinge aboute London stoone, xl s.

for a gowne whiche I had of his brothers. I witto Blande, of the Inner Temple, whiche maried Grover's doughter, my fetherbede, ij blankettes, on olde coverlet, a teister of grene and rede say, with the hanginges of my chamber, so that he pay unto my executors x s. whiche I payde unto hyme for the same.

[Proved 27 July, 1540.]

CV. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER LYNDLEY, OF LEATHLEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 513.]

In Dei nomine. The xxiiij day of Januarij, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1540, I, Christofer Lyndley,* of Lethley, of holl mynde and goode memorie, doth constitute this my last will. First I bequeathe my saule unto God Almyghtie, my creator and redemer, and unto oure ladie Sancte Marie, virgin, and to all the company of heven, and my bodie to be buried within my parishe churche of Lethley, and also my mortuarie to be gyven accordinge to the kinges acte. Also I make my executors Sir Thomas Johnson, of Lyndley, knyght, Richarde Lyndley, of Otteley, gent., Thomas Hardwike, of Potternewton, gent., Sir Edwarde Lyndley, of Lethley, prest, and Thomas Wharton, of Lethley, yoman, unto the whiche executors I give all my right of my farmholde, towe corne mylnes at Ledes buylded under one ruf, with all the proffettes therof, whiche I have taken of our soveraigne lorde the kinges highnes, under his letters patent, for certayne yeres, unto my said executors, that they shall give unto my wif the yerlie proffett therof, if any suche be duringe this one yere, if God graunte her lif so longe, and after that the said yere be ended, then I will that my said executors give unto her yerlie viij li. of the proffettes. Item I will that when my sone and here Laurence Lyndley doth come to the adge of xxij yeres, that my said executors delyver hym the said kinges letters patentes of the towe corne mylnes, the possession and all profettes belonginge to the same duringe my holl yeres, so that he fynde sufficient surties to his said mother, my wif, to pay her the yerlie some, and if it fortone the said Laurence to die afor he come to thadge of xxij yeres, that then the said corne mylnes to be at the order of my said executors

* As Canon Raine said in *Test. Ebor.*, ii, 74, there is little known of this family, there being only in print a short pedigree in the *Visitation* of 1612. The testator appears to head it, and to have married a daughter of Peter Banke, of Banke Newton. The will of his son Lawrence is at York, dated 23 May, proved 23 September, 1557. The *Visitation* says he married Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Redman, of Harewood Castle.

to thuse of my childer. I give my executors my farmholde called Deyngrange, late belonginge to the monasterie of Cristall, and one close in Brerehay or Burdon called Beggerleis, that they with the proffettes shall bringe upe and fynde my children the spacie of xij yeres, and after to delyver them to my said sone Laurence, if he then be alif, and if not, the said farmeholdes to be ordered at the myndes of my executors. I give my wif my goode will of my fermhold in Lethley nowe assigned to the right honorable my ladie of Northumberlande duringe her lif, and after her deathe to Sir Thomas Johnson, of Lyndley, knyght, and his heres, and my fermholde called the More close and also one acre of arrable land, if it fortone my said wif to lyve, and if she die, then to my executors, unto suche tyme as my said sonne Laurence come to the adge of xxij yeres. Item I will that the covenante of marriadge maide betwixt Robert Skelton, of Osmondthorpe, in the parishe of Ledes, gent., and me go forwarde accordinge to the indentures, and if it forton the said mariadge to breke by the disagreament by hyme or his sone, then I will that my executours show like benefet and advantage agaynste theme as the lawe of the realme and my writinges will warrant. I will that myne uncle Thomas Lyndley, of Newton, if my executors be so contented, receyve the proffettes of the said corne mylnes, and make accompte to the said executors, and for such paynes to have yerlie xx s. duringe his lif. Item I give to Johan Redman, late nonne of Nunmonkton, xiij s. iiij d., to Sir Thomas Johnson one olde riall, and to every other of my executors vj s. viij d. Item I will that a prest synge messe for me one yere, and if my wif forton to die afor the end of the saide yere, that then a prest synge messe for me and her another yere. Also I bequeathe to my said parishe churche vj s. viij d., and to every one of my servauntes one yewe, and to Umfride Hodgeson one fresd cote, and to Richarde Jennynge my worse frese cote, to my curate of Lethley for my tithes forgotten iij s. iiij d. Thes beinge witnes, Percvall Lyndley, of Lethley, gent., Percvall Jenkinson, John Angrome, Myles Stirke and Robert Gibton, of the same, with other moo.

[Proved 2 April, 1541.]

CVI. THE WILL OF SYBEL LYNDLEY, OF LEATHLEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 562.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vijth Februarij, 1540, I, Sybell Lyndley,* of Lethley, widue, makes this my last will.

* She may most have been the wife of the preceding Christopher Lyndley.

First I bequeath my saull to God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven. To be buried in my parishe churche of Leithley aforsaide, nyghe unto my husbande. To Lawrencie Lyndley my sone a silver pece, a silver salte, and vj of my best silver spones. To Jennett Fox one gowne. I will that a prest singe for my saull one yere. The residue I putt unto Sir Thomas Johnson, knyght, Lawrencie Lyndley my sone, Thomas Hardwike, gentleman, Sir Edwarde Lyndley, prest, Richarde Lyndley, gent., Thomas Overton, yoman, and Constance Baynton, yoman, to the behof of my childer, whome I make myne executors. Witnes, Percyvall Jenkinson, Umfray Hodgeson, with other moo.

[Proved 23 July, 1541.]

CVII. THE WILL OF SIR JAMES STRANGWAYES, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 557.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xth day of Marche, 1540, I, James Strangwais,* knyght, holl of mynde and perfite memorie, consyderinge the incerteyntie of this transitorie life, trustinge in the gret mercie of God, ordanethe and makithe this my last will. First and befor all thinges I give and bequeathe my soull to God Almightie, to the blissed Virgyne Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Osmonderley, in the southe side of the quere ther. Also I give for my mortuarie accordinge to the statute thereof maide. Also I give for my funerall cc marces, and it to be ordered by the Lorde Dacre and my excutors, and by the advyse of one harolde at armes, and for his paynes I give hyme xl s. I will that Sir John Preston shall synge for me at Osmoderley by the spacie of viij^th^ yeres, and to pray for my saull and my wyffes saull, and all my auncetors and all Christen saules, and he to have for his salarie every yere v li. (Many bequests to servants.) I give to Georgie Strangways sone, student at Oxforde, v markes. I give to Elisabethe and Elinor, doughters of Richarde Strangwais, of Sowerbie, two hundrethe of my best wedders goinge within my lordshipe of Whorleton. I give to Margerie the eldest doughter of

* Son of Sir Thomas Strangeways, knight, whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v, 155. He was High Sheriff of Yorkshire, 1538, and had a grant of Mountgrace Priory. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Pigot, of Clotherham, but dying 26 April, 1541, his extensive estates became divisible between his cousin Robert Roos, of Ingmanthorpe, and his aunt Joan, wife of Sir William Mauleverer, and widow of Sir John Bigod, of Settrington.

Edwarde Strangwais vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To the yonger doughter of Edwarde Strangwais v li., and if it happen either of them to die befor they accomplishe the age of xiiij yeres, the survivor to have the hole some, and if they bothe die before they accomplishe the said adge of xiiij yeres, then ther brother James to have the said some if he be lyvinge, and if he die before he come of the full adge of xxj yeres, that these somes of xj li. xij s. iiij d. to be egally devyded betwixte the said Richarde Strangways doughters. I will that my executors, by the advise of the lorde Dacre, shall maike one ile of the southe side of the quere of Osmoderley of the length of the quere, and to bestowe of the buyldinge thereof xl li., to thentent that I and my wif may be buried ther. I give xx li. to bestowe emonges the power peple of the parishes of Osmoderley, Est Harlesey, Inglibie, Rudbie, Inglibie under Grennoo, Assulbie, Skelton, Welborne, Apleton, Brompton, North Alerton, Aynderbie, Burnistone, Sigstone, Silton, South Kilvington, Leke, Thirske, Stokesley, and Boynton. I ordane my well beloved frendes William Strangwais, clerke, Richard Strangwais, of Sowerbie under Cotclif, Rauf Bygod, and James Fox, my executors, and the right honorable William, Lorde Dacre and Graystoke, supervisor. Witnesses, Christofer Danbie, knyght, Robert Meynell, Henrie Whytinge, clerke, Rollande Threlkelde, Georgie Fenne, and Richarde Wilson.

[Proved 29 July, 1541.]

CVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS LISTER, OF WESTBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 592.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiiijth day of the moneth of March, in the yere of oure Lord God 1540, I, Thomas Lister,* of Westebye, in the parishe of Gisborne, gentleman, makes my will. The first I bequeathe my soull to God Almightie, to our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in my parishe churche of Gisborne; also to my parishe churche for my saide buriall xx s., to bie one vestment; also to Sir Thomas Husteler, prest, xl s. in the yere and his borde, the spacie of ij yeres after my decesse; also to Isabell Coyre xl s., to Nicholas Balderstone xl s., to Agnes Balderstone on quye stirke; also to all other of my servauntes in my house,

* Son of Thomas Lister, second son of Christopher Lister, of Medhope. In the pedigree in Whitaker's *Craven*, he is said to have married Effame, dau. . . . . Westby, of Westby, but he may have been married twice, as his wife is called Lucy in the above will. From his eldest son Thomas descends Lord Ribblesdale, of Gisburn Park.

every one of theme, one shepe; also to Christofer Marton and to William Alan, eyther of theme, one ryall of golde; also to Thomas, my sone, my chales, and vestment, and one dossen of spones, the one half of the best and the other half of next sorte, and one salte of silver, and that my saide sone Thomas and his wif shall contynewe with his mother as they do duringe her lif, if they so canne be contented and agreid. Also it is my will that my sone Thomas and Lucie my wif have and occupie Westby Weydaker, the bargane of the churche, and all other bargayns indifferentlie betwixt them duringe her lif, if she kepe her widue, and after her decesse, or if she forton to marie, then it is my will that my saide sone Thomas have all thafforsaid fermholdes and bargayns to his own proper use, with the licencie of my maister and the lordes thereof. Also I will that Thomas have in his handes viij oxen, viij kie, to helpe hyme to occupie unto such tymes that my childer shall call for theme, and at that tyme the saide Thomas to make goode the saide oxen and kie, to the behof of my aforsaide childer, by the order of my maister and the other executors. Also it is my will that Rosamunde my doughter have to her mariadge of the holl goodes xl li. Also that Christofer and Edmunde, eyther of theme, have xl li. to ther porcon and childes parte, and therwith to be contented as they will have my blessinge. The residue of all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, I give to Lucie my wif, Thomas and John my sonnes. Also I ordan Lucie my wif, Thomas and Anthony my sonnes, of this my will, my executors. Also I make my maister Sir Thomas Tempest supervisor of this my will, and I bequeath to my saide maister one silver cope, and to my goode ladie, his wif, one pece of golde to the valor of xlvj s. viij d. In witnes whereof to the present will I have setto my seall. Thes witnes, Christofer Lister, Laurencie Townley, Laurencie Lister, Richarde Banyster, Sir Richarde Wilson, vicare of Bracewell, Richarde Dauson, prest, Thomas Husteler, prest.

[Proved 10 Jan. 1541-2.]

CIX. THE WILL OF HENRY CLIFFORD, EARL OF CUMBERLAND.

[Reg. Test. xi. 664.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, Henrie,* Erle of Combrelande, somethinge crased in bodie, but holl of mynde,

* Son of Henry, fourteenth Lord Clifford, of Skipton, commonly called "the Shepherd Lord," who died in 1523. He married first Margaret, daughter of George Talbot, fourth Earl of Shrewsbury, by whom he had no issue;

lovynges be to Almyghtie God, do make this my will the seconde day of Aprile, in the xxxiijth yere of the reigne of oure soveraigne lorde Henrie theght. Inprimis I bequeath my soull unto God Almightie, and to his blissed mother Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the northe side of the quere of the parishe churche of Skipton, in one tombe ther newlie maide, or els in suche other place as shall please Almightie God for it to provide. Item I will that every prest which do synge or say *dirige* and *messe of requiem* in the said parishe churche of Skipton, the said day of my buriall, shall have xij d. Item I will that twentie and foure poundes shall be delte and geven the same day to poore and nedie people. Item I will that myne executours, by ther discressions, do provide and make my funeralles and other necessaries for the same, somethinge accordinge to my degre, so that the chardges therof extende not above the some of thre hundreth markes sterlinge. Item I bequest unto Engrame Clifforde my son my manoure of Herte and Hertillpole, in the countie of Duresme, and all other my landes within the saide countie whiche Sir Thomas Clifforth, knyght, my brother, nowe hathe for terme of his lif, and that the saide Engrame, imediatelie after the deth of the saide Sir Thomas, shall enioye the same during the lif of the saide Engrame. Item I will that the laydie Elisabeth my doughter shall have for her mariage a thousande poundes sterlinge, if she be maried to a man of honoure, beinge an erle or an erles sone and heyre or heire apparaunte, his landes beinge unherited; and if she be maried to a barrone or a barrons sone and heyre or heyre apparaunte a thousand markes sterlinge, and if she be maried unto a knyghte havinge his landes unheryted eight hundreth markes. Item I will that all suche debtes as I shall owe at the tyme of my deathe for the mariadge of the ladie Mawde my doughter shalbe paide by myne executours. I bequeath to Dorithe Clifton my nece fortie poundes, to Jane Preston twentie markes, to Margaret Pudsey sexe poundes thirtene shillinges and foure

secondly Margaret, daughter of Henry Percy, fifth Earl of Northumberland, by whom he had Henry, second Earl of Cumberland, who married first Eleanor, daughter of Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk, and secondly Anne, daughter of Lord Dacre. The testator had also a son, Sir Ingelram Clifford, and four daughters—Catherine, wife, first of Lord Scrope, of Bolton, secondly of Sir Richard Cholmley; Maude, wife of John, Lord Conyers, of Hornby; Elizabeth, wife of Sir Christopher Metcalfe, of Nappa; and Jane, wife of Sir John Huddlestone, of Millom Castle. He died April, 1542 or 1543. This is the first Clifford will printed in *Test. Ebor.*

pence, to Thomas Clifforde my basterde sone fourtie poundes to Thomas Clifforthe, of Appertyne, fourtie poundes. I will that a hundreth markes be bestowede in amendinge and repayringe of highe wayes in Craven. Item I will that an other hundreth markes be spente aboute the mendinge of highe ways in the countie of Westmerlande. I will that everie of my servauntes shall have all suche wages and debtes as I shall owe unto theme and one holl yere wages. I will that every curate within Westmerlande, the deanrie of Craven, and els wher I have any landes, doo or cause *masse* of *requiem* and *dirige* to be songen or saide for my soull within every ther parishe churche, and they to have sexe shillinges and eight pence. I will that every of my householde servauntes beinge a gentleman shall have one of my geldinges. Item I will that myne executors shall pay all suche dettes as I shall owe. Item where the Kinge for a certeyne some of money by me to his maiestie then to be paide, whereof one parte is paide and an other parcell thereof yett unpaide, for payment whereof the right noble prince my lorde of Suffolke and John Lord Scrope standen bounden to his maiestie, was of his benigne goodnes contente and agreede that I shulde have to me, myne heres and assignes, the scyte of the late dissolved priorie of Bolton in Channons, in the said countie of Yorke, with other landes late to the same priorie belonginge, I will that my sone Henrie, Lord Clifforthe, shall have the same scite and landes, so that my saide sone Henrie do pay unto oure said sovraigne lorde all such some as I do owe for the same. . . . . Item wher befor this tyme emonges other thinges it was agreede betwene the said right noble prynce Charles, Duke of Suffolke, of thone partie, and me the saide erle of thother partie, for and concernynge a marriedge by the grace of God nowe hade betweene the laydie Elianor, doughter of the right highe and gratiouse prynces Marie, late the Frenche queyne, whose soull God pardon, and the saide duke and Henrie, Lorde Clifforthe, my sone and heyre apparaunte, that all suche honors, manors, castelles, landes, tents, as I the saide erle then hade, shoulde after my decesse descende to the said Henrie, Lorde Clifforth, and to his heres, excepte londes to the yerlie value of fyve hundrethe markes, which said londes it was lawfull for me to give to any my wif or yonger sone for terme of any ther lyves, and also that I may give any parcell therof to the value of foure score poundes a yere to any of my servauntes or frendes for terme of ther lif; and also that I may make and declare my last will of the same landes of the said yerlie

value of fyve hundreth markes, for terme of fifteene yeres next after my dethe, for payment of my debtes, legacies, and mariage of my doughters, at my libertie and pleasoure; nowe I will by this my present will that my executors shall have yerlie duringe the said fiftten yeres all rentes of my manors of Londesburghe, Wighton, Brompton, Whyrethorpe, Wellome, and Barlebye duringe the saide fiftene yeres, for the mariage of my doughters, payment of my debtes, legacies. . . . . Item I give unto my sone Engrame a chiste standinge in my chambre, with all the plaite and other thinges in the saide chiste, and also one cheyne of golde . . . . Item I will and desyre my saide sone Henrie, that if he die withoute heires male, that then the lordshippes and manors of Carleton, Lothersden, Bradley, Utbie, and Bolton shall goe to my saide sone Engrame, and to theres males of his bodie, and for defalte of suche ishue, to the right heres of me. . . . I do make my welbeloved sone in lawe, John, Lorde Scrope, Sir Thomas Tempest, of Bracewell, knyght, Robert Challoner, esquier, and William Berie, preste, myne executors, and for ther paynes I give unto every of theme twentie poundes. Item I make the right honorable and my moste integrlie beloved brother in lawe, William, therle of Southampton, the supervisor of this my will, and I give unto hyme fortie poundes. Witnesses, Edwarde Ratclif, gentleman, William Thirkelde, preste, Richarde Blenkynsope, gentleman, Sir Roger Markendale, preste, and Sir James Michell, parishe preste of Skipton, and I the saide erle to this my saide will have sete my seall of armes and subscribed my name, Henry Comberlande.

[Proved June 4, 1543.]

CX. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER SPENCER, OF BRAMLEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 675.]

3 May, 1541, I, Christofer Spencer, of Bramley, in the parish of Brawell, ordans my testament. First I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, and to his moder oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche or churche yerde of Allhallos in Brawell. Item a *dirige*, with a *messe of requiem*, the day of my buriall. Item for tithes forgotten iiij d. Item to William Hawke, of Godson, xx s. The residue of all my goodes above not bequeathed I give unto Alicie my wif and Elisabeth Parkyne, whome I orden my executores, to be evedentlie devided betwixte theme. Also I make Thomas Boswell,

of Rotherham, and John Gawladie, of the parishe of Rotherham, supervisours, and either of theme to have for ther labore vj s. viij d., and after the death of the saide Elisabeth Pawkyne, then I will that my holl lande remayne unto Mr. James Fulgiam, esquier, and to Mr. Godfray Fulgiam his sone, and to ther heres for ever. Thes beinge witnes, Robert Seu[y]ore, of Wikersley, Thomas Alott, of the same, and John Hirst, of Bramley, with other moo.

[Proved 13 May, 1543.]

CXI. THE WILL OF KATHERINE NANDIKE, OF KIRKBY MOORSIDE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 559.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vij^th day of Maij, 1541, I, Katheyne Nandike,* late priores of Wikham, nowe in the parishinge of Kirkbie Moreshede, makes this my last will. First I bequeathe my saull to God Almightie, to oure laidie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the quere of Kirkbie Moreshede, for the whiche buriall I give iij s. iiij d. I give to everie house in the saide towne of Kirkbie Moreshede, wher my father and mother lyes, and to every house in Wikeham and Ruston, ij d. I give to be disposed the day of my buriall xiij s. iiij d., and to have *messe* and *dirige* songe, with prestes and clerkes for the same, and the residue disposed to power folkes. Also I give to my laidie Counties of Norththumberlande one silver crose, ij standinge maser, and a corporax, for suche costes and chardges as I put her goode ladieshipe unto. I give to eght of my susters that was professide in Wikham Abbay, to everie one of theme vj s. viij d., to be taken of the gauge or pledge of Sir William Ewrie, knyght. I give to one honest prest to singe at oure ladie altare within the parishe church of Kirkbie Moreshede for the helthe of my saull, my father and moder saules, and all my goode frendes saules, one holl yere iiij li., or asmoche as my cosynge Christofer Nandike and he cane agre for of the said some. I give to Jennet Scalinge my suster vj s. viij d., to Agnes Caill vj s. viij d., to Jennet Berriman, Agnes Nandike and her mother vj s. viij d., to be equally devyded emonges theme. I give to John Scalinge one cowe nowe in his owne kepinge, to my cosinge Olivier Nandike sone vj s. viij d., to maistres Isabell Percie one pounsed baysinge and one fyve shillinges of golde, to Katherin Caill my goddoughter

* There is a short pedigree of Nandick in Glover's *Visitation*, Foster edition, 557.

a counter, an olde arke, my worst fether bede, ij paire lyne shetes, a chaer, a pair of awmer bedes, ij litle ketles, and iij li. vj s. viij d. in money; to Sir Robert Gell, chaplan, to pray for me one silver spone; to Marie Percie my branded cowe, to Isabell Nandike my nece one rabande of ij yerdes of silke and ij silver aglettes, to Thomas Nandike vj s. viij d., to Margaret Pynnynge one cupborde, one gret caldrone; to Margaret Trought one litle kettle, one litle chiste, ij s. in money; to the parishinge of Wikham one honest chales, to our ladies altare at Kirkbie Moreshede one vestment of whit damaske and the albe one hanginge of silke for the same altare. The residue of the saide goodes I make my nevewe Christofer Nandike full executor, for to dispose for thelthe of my saule as it shall please hyme, withoute chardge of conscience. Thes witnessethe, Thomas Tippinge, Richarde Percie, William Wilsone, Thomas Hawqryge, Anthony Arsone, John Browne, and Thomas Ayrsone.

[Proved 20 July, 1541.]

CXII. THE WILL OF JOHN MERING, OF MERING, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 693*d*.]

June 16, 1541. John Merynge,* of Merynge, esquier. First I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, the maker and redemer therof, and my bodie to be buried wher it shall please God to provide for it. I bequeath in the name of my mortuarye x s. To the vicare of Sutton for forgotten tithes x s. To fyve prestes that have the lest lyvinge v s., to saye v messes, one of the Trinite, a nother of the Holie Ghoste, a nother of Oure Ladie, a nother of the v woundes, and a nother of requiem. And every prest shall say *dirige* and the latyne psalmes of the passion, *de profundis* at the lavatorie, and the saide messes to be saide immediatelie after my depertinge, as shortlie as the prestes canne convenyentlie make theme redie. To every prest that comys to Sutton one the first day that the dole is dette for me, and of my moneth, and of my twelmonth day, and sayth *dirige*, mese of requiem, psalmes of the passion, seven psalmes, and latyne; and all other prestes that comes and say no messe, and dothe entende to say *dirige*, messe, psalmes of the passion, seven psalmes, and lateny, and *de profundis* at the lavatorie, at the thre days appoyntede,

* A pedigree of this family will be found in *Visitations of Notts.*, in 1569 and 1614 (Harleian Society), pp. 12-13; and in Thorston's *History of Notts.* (1677), p. 189.

that is to say, the firste almos shalbe delte at Sutton for my buriall, whersoever I be buried; the seconde shalbe at Sutton opon my moneth daye; the thirde almos shalbe at Sutton opon my twelmonth day, vj d. a pece and ther dynner; and to every parishe clerke ij d.; and to every power clerke a penny; and to every power man, woman, and childe in Sutton that is in extreme povertie, and that haith the most nede and the lest helpe and the greatest charge of children, a pennye (694) a pece, and myne almos to be gyven to the powere and lame personnes, and to none other. And when the prest of Sutton and the clerke have knowledge of the thre days appoynted by my executours, the saide vicare and the clerke shall give warnynge and commaunde all the power folkes to be at the begynnynge of *dirige* and messe, and at the lavation, then they to pray for the soules of John Merynge, his father, his mother, his grandfather and grandmother, and for all those soules that he, or they, or any of theme ought any money unto, or dide any wronge unto. I will that all the curattes, prestes and parishe clerkes, and all the power folkes that ar abidinge in thes townes followinge, shall have my (*blank*) as hereafter followith:—First to Darleton viij s., and to Duneham ix s., and Ragnell v s. I will that thes thre townes afore written shall have at every day that the dole is delte as moche money as afore is written, and the saide Darleton, Duneham, and Ragnell to be served and ordered in every poynte and facion to have myne almos, as is at Sutton. And every one of the saide thre townes, as Darleton, Duneham, and Ragnell, shall have thre days appoynted for thre doles, as is at Sutton afore written. I bequeath to Tuxforde xv s., Litle Markham ix s., Askham iiij s., Grett Drayton viij s., Weston v s., Warsope, wher my lande liethe, x s., Worksope, wher the parishe churche standith, viij s., Osyngton vij s., Carleton iiij s., Gesthrope iiij s., Kyrton iij s., Laxton vj s. viij d., Normanton iij s., Fledburgh ij s., Norwell v s., Grett Markham v s., Malebeke iij s., South-Muskham iiij s., North-Muskham iiij s., Torkesay, in Sancte Peter parishe, x s., Torkesay, in Sancte Maries parishe, iiij s., Ketlethorpe vj s., Newton v s., Laughton v s., Fenton iiij s., Thorney cum Wigesley vij s., South Clifton v s., North Clifton iiij s., Spawdeforth iij s, Harbie ij s., North Scarle v s., South-Scarle vj s., Beisthorpe vj s., Girton vj s., North Collingham v s., South Collingham iiij s., the Egle ij s., Holme vj s., Langforde iij s., Wynthorpe iij s., Lyncolne, in the parishe wher my house standeth, x s., Carcolston vj s. viij d., Beckingham in Lincolnshier iiij s.

And the aforsaide money that I have gyven and bequeathed to Tuxforde and Grett Markham, and to all other townes afore written, shall be delte imediatelie after I be deperted without any durynge* of tyme. And every curate and prest in Tuxforde and Gret Markham, and so in every towne afore written that followith Tuxforde and Markham, vj d. a pece, to say *dirige*, seven psalmes, with the latyne and psalmes of the passion; and some to say masse of requiem, and messe of the Trinite, and of Oure Ladie, and of the Holie Ghost, and *de profundis* in the lavatorie. And to every parishe clerke ij d., and every clerke j d., and every power man, woman, and childe j d. a pecie. And none to have myne almos but power and lame and nedie personnes, that haith the most nede and the lest helpe and the greatest chardge. And the prest of every saide towne with ther clerke shalbe readie at the commaundement of my executours to give warnynge, and commaund all the powere folkes to be at the begynnynge of *dirige* and masse, and at the lavation, then to pray for the soull of Sir William Merynge, knyght, his father, his mother, his grandfather and his grandmother, and for the soull of John Merynge, and for all those soules that any dide any wronge or oughte any money unto. I will that Tuxforde and Grett Markham, and also all the other townes that followe Tuxforthe afore written, shall have butt one dole. I will that all thes saide somes of money to thes said townes be done principally for the soules of Sir William Meringe, in dischardge of his owne will and testament. I will that the lande, medue, and howses in Newarke and Kellame, late Thomas Meringes, of Newarke, do fynde a prest yerlie, and the prest to have eight markes duringe his lif, and the prest shall say for the soull of Thomas Meringe, of Newarke,† every Sonday, Tuysday and Thursday, the anthem *Ne reminiscaris*, the vij psalmes of penaunce, the latine, the collettes, concludinge with one antheme of Oure Ladie, and *de profundis*, with thes collettes, *Inclina, Miserere fidelium*, and every Monday in the weke, Weddynsday, Friday and Satterday, commendacons, *placebo* with *dirige*. And the saide prest of festes principall, and of festes doble, and of festes of ix lessons, shall say messe, if he be disposed of the day, as the fest requireth to serve, and ons in the weke day masse of requiem and one other messe of Oure Blissed Ladie. And the prest stall is one the south side the

* Written "drmynge."

† See his will dated 1500 in *Test. Ebor.*, iv, 179.

quere. And at Ester the saide Thomas Meringes landes shall fynde fyve tapours for the sepulture, every tapour to be of vj li. a pece, and to burne the spacie of xijth days. And the saide Thomas Merynges landes shall pay to iij beadmen, and ether of the beadmen shall have xiij s. iiij d. and a gowne of v yerdes of cloith and a half, the one side blake and the other side whitt, and the right syde blake, the other side whitt, and a crose of yolowe opone his brest. And they to kepe the chapel* clenlie, and to be abowte the chapell, and to be at all the service afore none, and at all the servicie at after none, and the prest to kepe daylie service in the quere. And that the prest shalbe able in cunnynge, discrete, and well disposed to say mase in Thomas Merynges chapell wher he lieth, and the prest to kepe the chapell clenlie. I will that the saide livelode be maide sure for xxj yeres in writinge as stronge as may be possible (694*d*) by the lawe. And after the xxj yeres be expired, then I will that my heres make alway a newe state at the ende of xxj yeres agayne to ane honeste preste to singe accordenge to myne uncle Thomas Merynges will, and the prest to kepe the quere everyday in the yere, excepte one warkday in the weke, or if the sekenes be in the towne, then the prest and beadmen to serve wher they may gett frendes for the tyme beinge. I will that the saide prest of his consciance fulfill all the chardge afore in rehersed in this my last will, and in Mr. Thomas Merynges will, and Sir William Merynges will. I will that Thomas Merynges landes shall make an obitt yerlie at Newarke for the soul of Thomas Merynge, and Marie and Margaret his wiffes, and for his father and mother, grandfather and grandmother, and for all those soules that Thomas Merynge, or any of theme, have done any wronge unto, or ought any money unto, and the obitt to be the xiij day of Auguste; and xiij s. iiij d. to be delte of the saide obitt day at Newarke. I will and chardge myne heres, whersoever I be buried, that Thomas Merynges will and Sir William Merynges will, my father, and this my last will and testament, be fulfillid in every poynte, as myn heres and executors will make aunswere afore God. To Newarke iiij li. xv s., to be delte imediateley after my departinge, and every prest and parishe clerke, and all other poore clerkes and power folkes to be served and ordered in every poynte and facion as at Tuxforde, Gret Markham, and so forth, as is afor written; but the parishe clerkes of Newarke shall have iiij d. a pecie;

* This Chapel still exists in Newark Church on the north side of the altar, and is known as the "Mering Chapel."

and all the prestes and clerkes and power folkes in Newarke shall pray for the soull of Sir William Merynge, and his wiffes soules, and for his father and mother, grandfather and grandmother, etc., for the soules of John Merynge and Katheryne his wif, and for ther children soules, etc., and iiij honest men to be appoynted by myne executours to commaunde all the power folkes to be at the begynnynge of *dirige* and masse, and none to have myne almos but lame and power folkes, that be in grett necessite and in extreme povertio, and that have charge of children, as is afore written. I will that my wif, Katheryne Merynge*, have the thirde parte of all my goodes and cattalles that I have at Merynge, and in all other places in the realme of Englande, moveable and unmoveable, and of golde, silver plate. To my sone William Merynge all the beddinge and hanginge, with all the other thinges that longes to the chapell chambre, and the summer chamber, and the grett chamber with the bey wyndo into the gardyne, and the chamber next the grete chamber that haith the draught in it, next apple chamber. I will that my sone William shall have all the adornamentes with one chales that longes to Meringe Chapell, all manner of brewinge vessels with all ther implementes therto belonginge, that longes to the brewinge howses and bakehowses, bottrie, mylke howses, and all the bordes and trestles in the hall and in the parlure, and to leve theme to his here, and so frome one here to another. I will that my goodes and cattalles, moveable and unmoveable, as golde, silver, that I have within the realme of Englande, to be devyded in thre partes, the dede bodie to have one parte, and Katheryne Merynge my wif to have the seconde parte, Agnes Merynge and Elisabeth Merynge my doughters the thirde parte of my saide goodes. I will that my eldest (son) have all my rayment. Moreover I will that everyone of my yonger sonnes duringe the nonnadge, that is to say, beinge the aige of xxj yeres at the tyme of my decesse, shalbe at the order, disposicon and governance of Katheryne my saide wif, and the saide Katheryne shall educate and bringe upe my saide sonnes in goode, vertuouse, lernynge, or misterie, and if it shall fortone the saide Katheryne to decesse, my saide yonger sonnes beinge then unto thaige of xxj yeres, then I will that they shalbe at the rewll, order and disposicon of William Merynge myne eldest sone, wher I the saide John Merynge have in possession and in reversion,

* She was the daughter and co-heiress of Humphrey Hercy, of Grove. *Visitations, Notts.* (Harleian Society), p. 13.

maners, etc., to the yerlie value of an hundrethe fortie and seven poundes, nyne shillinges and foure pence, that is to say, the maner of Meringe, etc. of the yerlie value of l li.; the manner of Thorney of the yerlie value of xxj li.; the manner of Sutton upon Trent (695) of the yerlie value of xiijth li.; the manner of Carcolston of the yerlie value of vj li. x s.; the manner of Kyngshay, with th'appurtenaunces, etc. in Kyngshay, Darleton, Drayton and Beckingham, of the yerlie value of xx li.; landes, etc. in South Clifton, of the yerlie value of xl s.; in Holme xxx s., Tuxforde iij li., Cromwell ix s., Litle Markham and Mylton iij li. xs., Newarke upon Trentte vj li. xv s., Laxton xxvij s., Ossyngton xiij s. iiij d., Malabeke xx s., Warsope xv s.; the manner of Ketelthorpe, with th'appurtenaunces in Ketilthorpe, Fenton, Laughton, and Newton, in the countie of Lincolne, xv li. x s.; landes, etc. in Lyncoln, in the countie of the citie of Lincolne, x s. First I will that my welbeloved wif Katheryne Merynge shall holde and enjoye, for terme of her lif, the saide manner of Kyngshay, etc., whiche were appoynted, assigned, or named for her joynter befor the mariage betwene me and the saide Katheryne. And I also will that my saide welbeloved wif shall have the maner of Carcolston and the landes in Litle Markham and Mylnton for terme of her naturall lif. Also I will that my wif shall have one yere after my decesse my manner place of Merynge, with the orcharde and gardyne, and the close called the Cow Close, paynge for the same xl s. And moreover I will that Anne and Elizabeth Merynge my doughters shall have imediatelie frome my dethe all my landes in Tuxforde and South Clifton, unto suche tyme as that either of theme have of the rentes therof the some of an hundreth markes. And further I will that Frances Merynge, one of my yonger sonnes, shall have imediatelie from my decesse, duringe his lif, all the saide landes in Holme, Laxton, Ossyngton, Malebeke and Lincolne. And likewise I will that Thomas Meryng, one other of my yonger sonnes, shall have for terme of his lif all my landes in Newarke, nowe in the tenure of William Grevys of the yerlie value of iij li. viij s., in the tenure of Robert Worth of the yerlie value of viij s., in Beckingham, in the countie of Lincolne, in the tenure of Robert Grene of the yerlie value of xiij s., and in Warsope, in the tenure of James Colte of the yerlie value of xv s. (695*d*). Also I will that John Merynge, one other of my yonger sonnes, shall have for terme of his lif all my landes in Sutton, nowe in the tenures of Richarde Pomfrett xv s. viij d., Thomas

Monke xiij s. iiij d., Thomas Spure xxj s., Nicholas Newton xvij s., Thomas Boroughedale x s., Georgie Porter xij s., Lyones Browne vj s. viij d., Rauf Wynter v s., William Calver iij s. Landes in Sutton in the holdinges of Richard Gilbert iij li. vj s. viij d., Thomas Smyth xx s., William Nicholson xxvj s. viij d., Thomas Loughton vj s. viij d., shalbe to myne executors, and that they have all the saide landes unto suche tyme as ther may be leveed of the rentes of the same, all suche somes of money as will performe so moche of the last will and testament of Sir William Merynge, knyght, my late father, decessed, as shalbe un(per)formed at the tyme of my decesse, and also performe and fulfill the testament and last will of me the saide John Merynge. To Sancte Nicholas altare vj ewes accordinge to an indenture, and the here of Meringe to se the orderinge of theme with the churche maisters of Darleton. To the reparacons of Darleton churche vj s. viij d. I will that my housholde stuf and cattall be praysed indifferentelie for the advauncement of my bequest, and my wiffes parte, and the dedes parte. To every one of my godchildren ij ewes with lambes. To every one of my householde servauntes, as well at Merynge as at Kyngshay, that every one theme shall have fore every yere that they have done me service over and besides ther wages xij d. I will that my wif and my sone William shall kepe my servauntes one quarter to borde with meatt and drinke after I be departed, that they may have tyme to provide theme of some servicie. To Robert Watson xx s. a year whilest he lyveth, out of Thomas Merynge lande of Newarke. I will that my wif have (696) harnes for thre men, and my sone William to have all the rest of my saide harnes. I will that my sone William shall clame no thirde parte of my goodes but this my bequest. I will that my dettes be paide out of hande withoute any crafte or delay afor that my wif or children have any thirde parte of my goodes, or by theme to be mynistred, to the tyme that my dettes be paide. I will that all manner of expenses maide by myne executors to fulfil this my last will be taken of my goodes that are devyded to my parte. I will that eight of the powrest folkes in Sutton, that have the most nede and the lest helpe and the greatest chardge, bere my bodie to the churche when I ame within the parishe of Sutton, if it be my forton ther to be buried, and every one of the powere men that berith my bodie to the churche, if I be not buried in the parishe of Sutton, yet

I will that eight of the powrest folkes be at my obite makinge, and they shall have as herafter followith, that is to say, every power man iiij d. a pece, and fyve yerdes and a halfe of blake for a coote and a hoode, and ther dynner. I will that no sumptuous coste, nor no superfluyte be mayde at my buriall, but prepare in all the haist to fulfill this my last will. I will that v li. be paide to the buyldinge of the revestrie and of the chapell of Sutton churche, that my father dide bequeath by worde of mouthe afor the vicare and Sir Hugh and John Merynge. Also I will that Margaret, the norse of Kyngshay, have xx s. Katheryne Merynge my wif and William Meringe my son executors. Supervisors, Mr. John Hercie, esquier, Mr. Edmonde Mollineux, sergiant at the lawe, and Sir John Hancoke, prest, nowe my chaplen. These personnes beinge witnesses, Gregorie Wawen, gent., John Stockes, clerke, Robert Alexander, vicare of Sutton, John Marshall. Item attestante Johanne Wilson, vicario de Duneham, cum multis aliis.

[Proved 13 April, 1543.]

CXIII. THE WILL OF LADY ELIZABETH SAVILE, OF TANKERSLEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 591.]

1 July 33, Henry VIII. In the name of God, Amen. I, Elizabeth Sayvell,* of Tankersley, widue, late the wif of Sir John Sayvell, knyght, decessed, beinge of holl mynde and perfite remembrance, do make my last will and testament, as hereafter followith. First I bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, and my bodie to be buried in oure ladies quere within oure parishe churche of Thornhill, and will that my obsequies shalbe done by the discressions of my executors, and further I bequeath to Edwarde Sayvell and to Dorithe Sayvell, the children of my sone Henrie Sayvell, knyght, to everye of theme one silver spone gilte. Also I give to my doughter Ladie Anne Thwaittes one goblet of silver without a cover, and to my doughter the ladie Elisabeth Conyers one silver goblet with a cover, and a silver salte gilte with a cover; also to Margaret Wortley my doughter one silver goblet; also to Christofer Conyers, the sonne of Sir Thomas Conyers, knyght, decessed, my ij gret

* Daughter of Sir William Paxton, knight, by Jane, daughter and coheiress of Edmund Beaufort, Duke of Somerset. She was wife of Sir John Savile, the head of the great house of Thornhill. She had a son, Sir Henry Savile, and three daughters: Anne, wife of Sir Henry Thwaites, of Lund; Elizabeth, wife of Sir Thomas Conyers, of Sockburn, and Thomas Sothill; and Margaret, wife of Thomas Wortley, of Wortley, and Richard Corbet.

silver saltes, parcell gilte with a cover; also to William Thwaittes and Isabell Thwaittes, children of the aforsaide Anne, to everie of theme, one silver spone gilte; also to Michaell Sotehill and Frances Sotehill, the children of the aforsaid ladie Elisabeth Conyers, to eyther of them, one silver spone gilte; and I give to Elisabeth Lacie, the wif of Richarde Lacie, one silver spone and a paire of beades, with gawdes of golde; and to Katheryne Thwaittes, doughter of the aforsaide Ladie Anne, one paire of corall beades. Also I give to Richarde Lacie and to Henrie Thwaittes, sone of the said Ladie Anne, to eyther of theme, one silver spone; and I give to xij power men, which shalbe provided to bere torches aboute my bodie the day of my buriall, to everie one of theme, a blake or whit gowne. I will that all my servauntes at the day of my death shall have there holl yere wadges, and that every man servaunte shall have a blake coite, and every woman servaunte a blake gowne, and thos that have most nede to be rewarded by the discression of myne executors; and I will that Sir John Wilkinson, or some other honest prest, shall singe for my soull one holl yere after my death, and to have for that yere iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. And further, I will that all other goodes and cattals which shalbe left after my dettes and legacies paide, shalbe gyven and bestowed by myne executors to Isabell Thwaittes and Frances Sotehill, equally to be divydede emonges theme, or otherwise, at the discrecion of myne executors. I make myne doughters Anne Thwaittes and Elizabeth Conyers my full and sole executors of this my will. I give to the lorde Talbote, Erle of Shrewisberie, and to Henrie Sayvell, knyght, iiij li. betwixt theme, and I make them to be supervisors. Witnesses, Thomas Cokson, prest, parson of Tankersley, Edmunde Ashton, scole maister of Hemesworth, and William Gargrave.

[Proved 13 Jan. 1541-2, by Lady Elizabeth Conyers, daughter of deceased, Lady Anne Thwaittes the other executrix renouncing.]

CXIV. THE WILL OF PETER FROTHINGHAM, OF FROTHINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. xi. 568.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxj day of the moneth of Julij, in the xxxiij yeare of oure lorde Kinge Henrie theght, Pers otherwise called Peter Frodingham,* of Southfrodingham, gentleman, seke in bodie and perfite of

* There is a pedigree of Frothingham, of Frothingham, in Glover's *Visitation*, Foster edition, 147.

memorie, maide and declared his last will. First he gave his saull to God Almyghtie, and his bodie to be buried in the church yerde of Sancte Peter, of Outhorne. Item he gave to Elisabeth his wif one amblinge stage of gray collar. Item he bequeathed to his said wif too kie. Item he bequeathed to the same Elisabeth his best fedder bedde, with the curtayns and all thinges pertenynge to the same. The rest of all his goodes, his dettes paide, he gave unto Christofer Frothingham, Katheryn Frodyngham and Elisabethe Frodingham, his childer, whome he ordained his full executors. Thes beinge witnesses, Robert Awderdale, Thomas Clerke, John Fardinge, and oder.

[Proved 29 June, 1541.]

CXV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM MOLYNEUX, OF HAWTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 629*d*.]

Oct. 15, 1541. William Molyneux,* of Hawton, next unto Newarke, gent. My bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Hawton, nygh unto the placie wher my wif was buried. I will that my doughter Dorithe shall have of the issues of the manner, graunge and ferme of Owker, in the countie of Loncaster, one hundrethe markes towarde her mariadge, if she so happen to live therunto, or els to the adge of xiiij yeres. My executors shall take the proffites of the saide firme, manour and graundge of Owker, to the use and behof of my nevewe Frances Molyneux, duringe his nonadge, after this saide hundreth markes paide; and when the saide Fraunces cometh to the adge of xxj yeres, then he to take all manner of profettes to his own use. To the saide Dorithe my doughter towe hundreth markes; also all my plate, that is to say, a standinge cupe with a cover gilte, and one other cupe withoute a cover, towe saltes of one facion withoute a cover gilte, and an other salte with a cover gilte, a cupe for ale with a cover gilte, and iij cupes of silver, white, withoute a cover, a gilte spone, and sex grett spones whit, and ij dossen and thre spones of a smaler sorte, also all my ringes and other suche juels that I have, excepte one bruche, which hath on it an ymadge of a gentlewoman, and that I give unto my cousyn Fraunces Molyneux; also a holl garnyshe of pewther vessell newe, that is to say, xij platers, xij dishes, xij sawcers, xij potedgers; also ten brase pottes and a goode posnett; also towe table clothes of diaper, thre

* A pedigree of Molineux, of Hawton, will be found in the *Visitations of Notts.* in 1569 and 1614 (Harleian Society), pp. 72 and 74.

towels of diaper, xij napkyns of diaper, and xij napkyns playne, and tene table clothes playne; also all suche apparell as was her mothers. To Marie Molyneux my brother doughter, towardes her mariadge xl li., wherof I have paid to the lady Meyres her aconte vj li., and the other xxxiiij li. to be taken of Mr. John Markham, of Sireston. And wher I did receyve the some of xxv li. and a silver salte with other certeyne playte, ringes and jewels, to the use of the foure doughters of Thomas Howgh, decessed, I will that my executors shall pay to the sayde foure doughters the saide some of xxv li. I will that every of my housholde servauntes shall have his holl yeres waidges over and besides that shalbe due unto theme at the day of my departinge oute of this worlde, and they that be maried to have besides that some corne to amende ther livinges at the discression of my executors. To olde Alicie a goode cowe and a calf and x s. in money, and also that she be honestlie apparelde in napperie wayre at the sight of my executors. To Dorithe my doughter towe trusbeddes of the best, with all thinges that belonge to theme. Also I will that Elisabeth ladie Meyres, one of myne executors, shall have the custodie and governaunce of my said doughter Dorithe duringe her nonadge, and her porcon and legacies also with her. To my cousyne Fraunces Molyneux half the housholde stuf not afor bequeathed, when he shall come to his full adge of xxj yeres. Also I will that all the hanginges of the holl parlors and chambers shall remayne to my said cosyne Fraunces, and to be kepte to his behouf. I will that the highe cupporde in the parlor shall remayne as an heyre lome. To Thomas Herynge, of Newarke, all my landes in Newarke, purchased of Richarde Whalley, esquyer, and Henrie Ingall. Residue unto Edmunde Molyneux, myne uncle and serjiant at the lawe, and dame Elisabeth ladie Meyres, whome I make my executors. Witnesses, Adam Langley, gent., Sir Alexander Talier, parsone of Hawtont and Sir Richarde Pasley, parishe prest ther, John Wrigh, and William Wright.

[Proved 4 May, 1542.]

CXVI. THE WILL OF JOHN WEST, OF AUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 582.]

27 Oct., 1541 (*sic*). I, John West,* of Haghton, gentleman, in the parishe of Aston, knowinge that deth is sertan

* He heads the pedigree of West, of Aston, in Dugdale's *Visitation*. His grandson William, son of his son Thomas, made a fortune in the lawe, was the author of *West's Precedents*, and bought Firbeck.

and the tyme or owre most uncertan, therefor with goode mynde and holl remembrance, constitute and make this my testament. I give and bequest my soull to Almighte God, to oure ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of All Sanctes in Aston, befor oure ladie altare. Also I bequeste to Georgie West my sone and here my best silver salte that is gilte with the coverynge, and my standinge cope of silver with the coverynge, and a quye with calf. Also I bequest to my sone Sir Thomas West, parson of Hoton, a silver cope without coverynge, and my sorolde geldinge. Also I bequest to Roger Wombewell, my sone in lawe, a silver cope without coverynge, and a quye with calf. Also to Ellinor my doughter, wif unto Robert Thompson, ij quyes. To Sir William Marsh, prest, for a trentall of messes. The residue of my goodes unbequest, my dettes paide, and my funerall expenses considered, I give to Anne my wife and to Anne my doughter, makinge them my fully executrices, and makinge my worshipfull Sir John Melton, knyght, and my brother Sir William West, knyght, to be supervysors. These beeing witnes, Sir William Marshe, prest, Thomas Wombewell, John Syms, Thomas Pare, with other.

[Proved 6 Oct. 1541.]

CXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN CONSTABLE, OF PATRINGTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 622.]

6 Nov., 1541. I, John Constable, of Patrington, gentleman, of a holl mynde and perfitt remembrance, make this my last will. I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, besechinge oure ladie Sancte Marie and all the faire feleshipe of heaven to pray for me, and my bodie to be buried within the churche of Sancte Patrike, of Patrington aforesaid. I bequeathe to the holie sacrament iij s. iiij d. To the foure pillors of the churche vj s. viij d. To the mendinge of the hie ways aboute Patrington v s. To Sir Robert Wilson my curate ij s. The rest of my goodes not bequeathed, my dettes paide, I give to Elisabethe Constable my wif, whom I make sole executrix, to dispose for me as she shall thinke best. Thes being witnesses, Sir Robert Wilson my curate, Sir John Colkesey, Richarde Airton, William Thornholme and William Harlande.

[Proved 30 Nov. 1541.]

CXVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN KIGHLEY, OF NEWHALL, GENT.

[Reg. Test. II. 352.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the xvij^th^ day of Decembre, 1541, I, John Kighley,* of Newall, gent., beinge of hole mynde and perfecte remembrance and memorie, doth ordeine this my testament. First I bequest my soull unto Almightie God my creator and redemer, and to oure blissed Marie virgyne, and all the sanctes of heaven, and my bodie to be buried within the church yerde of my parish churche of Otteley, of the northside, nere myne auncestors, and to have a thrugie stone made and prepared therfor. Also I bequest one silver spone of the weght of iiij s. to the blissed sacrament, for to be bestowed aboute anorment of the same. Also I bequeath to Laurence Kighley childer one silver spone, and also to Laurence Kighley, sone of Percyvall Kighley my god sone, one silver spone: to Richarde Kighley one silver spone: also to the saide Laurence Kighley, childer, my best gowne: also to the saide Richarde Kighley one dublett of russell worstede; also to Thomas Mawde, son of William Mawde, one say dublett; also to Elisabeth Dyneley my best worstede bane; also to Richarde Yngland one paire of sheites, one paire of blanketes, a coverlett and a bolster: also to Georgie England his sone one fresed coote and a lether dublett; to Margaret Vevers one litle posnett and one sheit. Also I make Thomas Kighley, esquier, my nephue, my executor of this my last will, whome I give all my goodes afor not bequested, to bringe me forth and to myniste for me at his discresion, for the heithe of my soull. Thes beinge winnes, Richarde Lyndley, of Otteley, gent., James Cawdray and Richarde Michill, of Newall.

Proved 24 Feb. 1543-3.

CXIX. THE WILL OF JOHN BASSETT, OF FLEDBOROUGH, ESQUIER.

[Reg. Test. II. 774.]

Jan. 24, 1541-2. 33 Henry VIII. John Bassett,† of Fledburghe, esquier. My bodie, if I die within tenne myles of Fledburghe, to be buried at the northe ende of the hie altare, within the chauncell of the parishe church ther. And if I die not at Fledburghe, or within the spacie of tenne myles therof, then I will that my bodie be buried

* It seems probable he was brother of the preceding Laurence Kighley.

† Son of Sir Richard Bassett, of Fledborough, and married Agnes, daughter and heir of Hugh, of Grimsborough.

wher it shall please God and myne executors. And if it shall forton my bodie to be buried at Fledburghe, then I will that xiijth power men to be chosen and appoynted by myne execut' of the townes next adioyninge to Fledburghe, shall bere abowte my herce to the churche the day and tyme of my buriall xiijth staf torches maide of wax, and every one of the saide power men to have for his labore and to pray for my soull, one gowne of v s. price, the half wherof to be whitt clothe and the other half therof of blake clothe. And I will that xij li. of waxe shalbe maide in tapers and beset abowte the herce the day of the buriall of my bodie, and ther burne all the tyme of the dirigie and highe messe. And I will that dirigie and highe messe at my buriall be songe with note with prestes and clerkes, and that every preste then ther beinge shall have for ther labors and to pray then for my soull viij d., and every clerke ij d.; and so in like manner the day of my moneth minde every prest then ther beinge to have viij d., and every clerke ij d. And furthermore I will that the persons or vicars with the churchwardons of every towne hereafter ensuynge shall have delyvered to theme by my execut', to be distribute in almose to the power people the day of my buriall, to pray for the soull of me the saide John Bassett, and for the soules of my father and moder, and all Cristen soules, in manner and forme followinge, that is to wit, to the parson and churchwardons of Fledburghe and Wodcottes, vj s. viij d., of Duneham x s., of Ragnell vj s. viij d., Ferie Marneham vj s. viij d., Normanton and Skedbie x s., Drayton and Stocum vj s. viij d., Sutton and Scarthorpe vj s. viij d., North-Clifton vj s. viij d., Southe-Clifton vj s. viij d., and Darleton iij s. iiij d. To every one of my householde servauntes that shall be in my servicie with me at the tyme of my deathe one holl quarter wage, accordinge to the rate as every one of theme shalbe hired for, over and above ther wadges that shalbe due to theme the day of my death. And also I will that in consideracon of all such legaces and bequestes, as my brother Georgie Bassett hath bequeathed unto hym by my father's last will and testament, and for the satisfaction of the same, that Sir Henrie Sutton, knyght, Anthony Newell, esquier, Agnes my wif, and my brother John Bassett, and the survivor of theme, shall at all tymes duringe the spacie of tenne yeres next and immediatelie ensuynge and followinge the deathe of me the said John Bassett receave, perceyve and take the rentes, revenus, ishues, and proffettes of towe

meases in Skegbie, with all and singler landes and tenementes in Skegbie, nowe beinge in the severall tenures and occupacons of William Hikson and Alicie Rothmell, late the wif of John Rothmell, and of and with the same pay, or cause to be paide yerlie duringe the saide tenne yeres to my saide brother Georgie, or his assignes, towards his exhibicon and fyndinge in the universitie vj li. xiij s. iiij d. sterlinge. And also I will and bequeathe to my sone and here apparant all my harnes and all other my weapens, mett and convenyent fore warre, and also a breke kylne or clampe, beinge within a close called the North felde; also my best carpett and thre of my best gownes, which he will chois and take at his election, and thes to be delyvered to hyme at his full adge of xxj^tie^ yeres. And furthermore I will and bequeath all my landes, etc. in Wellowe, Grymston, and South-Clifton, and also all and singler my landes and tenementes in Duneham and Ragenell, nowe beinge in the tenure and holdinge of Georgie Nevell, gent., to Thomas and William my towe yonger sonnes, for terme of ther towe lyves and to the longer lyver of theme, provyded always that if Edwarde, nowe my sone and here apparente, fortune to die withoute here of his bodie lawfully begotten, by reason wherof my manours, landes, etc. shall discende, reverte, remayne, or otherwise comme to same Thomas, lyvinge the same William his brother, that then the same William his brother shall onelie have the forsaide landes, etc. in Wellowe, Grymston, South-Clyfton, Duneham and Ragnell, for terme of lif of the same William. And wher as the right honorable Thomas Burghe, knight, lorde Bourghe, my father in lawe, oweth unto me certayne somes of money in parte of payment (772) of my mariege money, I will and bequeath the saide somes of monye to my saide ij yonger sonnes Thomas and William. And also I will and bequeath all my singler my landes, etc. in Normanton and Stocum, and one mease, etc. in Wodcottes, nowe in the tenure and occupacon of Thomas Atkynson, and also all my meases, etc. in Fledburghe, nowe beinge in the severall tenures of Ranalde Hall, Ellys Crispyn and Hughe Boithe, (towe closes ther, the one wherof is called Baldinge Close, and the other Litle Close, at the townes ende, besides Barker Close, onelie excepte), to Sir Henrie Sutton, knyght, Anthony Nevell, esquier, Agnes my wif, and John Bassett my brother, for terme of twentie yeres next, and immediatelie ensuynge and followinge the deathe of me the saide John Bassett, to and for the educacon and bringinge upe of Agnes,

Anne and Elisabeth, my thre doughters. And I will that the saide Sir Henrie Sutton, knyght, etc. and the survivor of theme, shall yerelie duringe the saide xx yeres perceyve, receave and take the rentes, revenus, issues and proffettes commynge and grovinge of the same landes, etc. in Normanton, Stocum, Wodcottes and Fledburghe, and therwith content and pay to everyone of my saide thre doughters, towardes ther mariages, towe hundrethe markes sterlinge. And over and besides that I will that the saide Sir Henrie, etc. shall of the saide rentes, revennus, ishues and proffettes commynge and groving of the landes and tenementes aforsaide in Fledburghe, Normanton, Stocum and Wodcottes, well and sufficientelie educate and bringe upe my saide thre doughters, mett and convenyent for ther degrees, till suche tyme as they shall come, accomplishe and be of thage of twentie yeres, or otherwise be advaunced in mariedge.* And also I will that myne exec' shall fynde and cause an able preste to singe for my soull, the soules of my father, my mother, and all Christen soules, at the altare of oure blissed ladie, within the parish churche of Fledburghe, xij yeres next and imediatelie ensuynge the deth of me the forsaide John Bassett; and that my saide execut' shall yerlie, duringe the saide xij yeres, perceyve and take the rentes, revenus, issues and proffettes commynge and grovinge of towe closes in Skegbie, that is to witt, of one close ther commonlie called the Thre Pounde Close, and the other called the Medue Close, and ther with content and paye to the saide prest for his salarie or wages fyve pounde sterlinge. Unto Agnes my most entierly beloved wif, duringe the nonadge of myne here, thes parcels followinge, that is to witt, the manoure placie of Fledburghe with the scite therof, and also vj closes in Fledburghe, beinge of the yerlie rente of xij li. xviij s., that is to witt, the Northe Felde, the Olde Orcharde, the Ley Close, otherwise called the Parke, the Covyngrie, Dikson Close, and the Horsclose; also the harbage and pannadge of my wode called Hill Wode in Wodcottes, with all the comodities and proffettes of herons to be taken within the same duringe the nonnadge of myne here. And also I will that my saide wif shall, duringe the nonnadge of myne here, yerlie perceyve and take sufficient and necessarie firebote in a wode or close in Wodcottes, commonlie called West Godyhay, to burne within the manour placie of Fledburgh.

* Proviso if one die under twenty and unmarried, the six hundred marks to go to the survivors, but if two die, the survivor to have only thre hundred marks.

Provyded allways and furthermore I will that if it shall forton my saide wif at any tyme herafter duringe the nonnadge of myne here to marie, and not to inhabite or dwell opon the forsaide manour placie, that then and from (772*d*) thensforthe my brother John Bassett shall have the same manour place and scite therof, with the forsaide vj closes in Fledburghe, to inhabite and dwell opon duringe the nonadge of myne here, and paynge yerlie therfor duringe the nonadge of myne here, to my said wif Agnes and here assignes xij li. xviij s. And I constitute, ordan and make my saide entierlie and welbelovede wif Agnes, myne executrix of this my last will and testament, and the right honorable Frauncys, erle of Shrewsberie, supervysor of the same, and for his paynes to be taken in that behalf I will and bequeath unto hyme the best horse, geldinge, or yong colte, that I shall have at the tyme of my deathe, most humblie besechinge his goode lordshipe to accepte hyme in goode worthe, and in the way of charite to be goode lorde unto my saide wif and children, as my especyall trust is in hyme so to be. In witnice wherof, I the saide John Bassett, esquier, to thes presentes have subscribed my name, thes beinge witnes, Anthony Nevell, Roberte Trafforde, clerke, Thomas Coleghe, Lawrencie Jenynge, Thomas Robertson, Roger Hanson, clerke, Thomas Malte, clerke, William Nevell, and John Bassett, junior.

Memorandum that the original testament is subscribede with the hande of the testator and thes personnes herafter namede, John Bassett, the testator, Anthony Nevell, Robert Trafforde, clerke, John Hudson, prest, Thomas College, Sewall Browne, Lawrencie Jennynges, Thomas Robertson, Roger Hanson, clerke, Georgie Nevell, Thomas Malt, preste, William Nevell, John Basset the yonger.

[Proved 2 July, 1544.]

CXX. THE WILL OF JAMES CONYERS, ESQ., OF WHITBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 616.]

In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. In the yere of oure Lord God, 1541, I, James Conyers,* of Whitbie, esquyre, and seriant at armes to oure soveraigne lorde the kinge, and balif of the liberties of Whitbie, holl of mynde and good remembrance, do make my will. First I give and bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, my saviour

* Uncle of Gregory Conyers, whose will is printed before, No. xcvii. The editor of this volume has endeavoured to improve the pedigree of this family in Dugdale's *Visitation* continued.

and redemer Christ Jesus, and to his blissed moither Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried within the churche of Whitbie, beside my welbeloved wif, befor the altare of Sancte Katheryne. Also I will that the day of my buriall be *masse and dirige*, and every prest sayinge *messe* that same day have xij d., the other prestes sayinge no *messe* viij d., and all the residue of the quere to be served at the discression of myne executors. Item I give to the parishe churche one pare of orgayns and one clocke. Item I give to the same parishe churche one goodlie chales of silver, doble gilte with golde, for to mynistre my maker withall. I give to the parishe prestes, either of them, for ther servicie doinge and to pray for me vj s. viij d. Item I give to the parishe clerke xx d. I will that vj pounde of wax be mayde and burned about my corpes that same day. I will that one honest prest singe for my soull, and of my father and mother, and my wif and my children, for the spacie of xth yeres after my deth, and to have every yere iiij li. vj s. viij d. at the handes of myne executors. I give to Anne my doughter God's blessinge and myne and xl markes of money sterlinge, the whiche shalbe delyvered to her by the handes of myne executors, what tyme they thinke she standes most ned. Also I give to the saide Anne one playne pece of silver, vj silver spones, my greatest masser with one counter. I give to the repayringe of the bridge xx s., with shoppes of the briges whiche I buyldide of my proper costes and chardges I give to the brige for ever. I give to the children of my doughter Margerie one hundrethe markes for the bringinge upe of theme, and to helpe to sett theme to goode stedinge, whose names ar Anne Wilson, William Musgrave, Leonarde Musgrave, Francys Musgrave, and Elisabethe Musgrave. Item I give to Mathue Wilson my shipe called Marie Janies. I give to my wif suster xx s.; to Thomas Loncaster one of my v men boittes. To Fribus my servaunt one holl tave to the see, after the custome of the see, and also xx s. in money. I give to iiij olde men, iche of theme, a gown of whit cloth. I give to every house in the towne not being burges iiij d., whiche shalbe gyven to theme the day of my funerall to pray for me. Item I will that my executors give to power people to pray for my soull, and my wif, and my father and mother, and my children about our sepulture in the tyme of *messe* saide ther for the spacie of one twelmonth xx s. All the residue of my goodes I give to Margerie my doughter and Mathue Wilson, whome I make my executors. Thes witnes, Anthony

Watson, prest, Sir John Kildale, prest, Nicholas Percy, prest, Thomas Loncaster, Georgie Bushell, William Cooke and John Paycocke. Also I make Georgie Musgrave to be supervisor of this my last will. Thes witnessethe this saide will to be a trewe will Robert Bushell, Richard Clerke, John Maister, James Carlell and Henrie Postgate.

[Proved 1 Sept. 1542, by the executors, Margerie, the daughter, and Mathew Wilson.]

CXXI. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN WENTWORTH, KNT., OF ELMSALL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 769.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last day of Januarye in the yere of Lorde God, 1541, I, Sir John Wentworthe,* knyght, beinge holl of mynde and of saif memorie, not vexed wth seknes, thanked be God, makes this my last will. I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, and my bodie to be buried wher it shall please God. I bequeath to my curate in the name of my mortuarye x s., to the highe altare and to the blissed sacrament of South Kirkbie x s. for my tithes forgotten; to the churche of Gowsell, in the countie of Lincoln, v s.; to every of my waytinge servauntes, besides their wages and black cote, x s. in money; to every man goinge at my husbandrie iij s. iiij d., and to women and maydens, with all other servauntes, iij s. iiij d. over and besides ther wadges. I give to Jane Trigott my doughter xl s., a feder bed with a bolster, blankettes, &c. To Elisabethe Hawdenbie my doughter a goblett of silver, vj silver spones, a standinge bedde with feder bede, &c. I chardge my sonne Philipe that he demaunde of Sir Brian Hastinges, knyght, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. by yere in lande as apperith by a pare of indentures of covenantes made betwixt hyme and me, wherein the saide Sir Brian, with thassent of my brother Thomas, did disseyne me, and on that I take my deathe, and I shall make answere befor the hie judge in heaven. Also I will the saide Philipe shall have free libertie to resorte and come to my wif to vewe the evidences for the furtherance of his right. I will that my

* Son of Thomas Wentworth, Esq., of North Elmsall, whose will was [illegible] in *Test. Ebor.* v, 144, by Jane, daughter and co-heiress of Oliver [illegible] of Howley. His *Inquisitio post mortem*, taken 22 Nov., 36 Henry [illegible] says he died 15 July that year. He married first Anne, daughter of [illegible] Clayke, of Beverley, by whom he had John his heir, Philip, Jane, married [illegible] Trigott, and Dorothy. He married secondly Jane, daughter of [illegible] Appleton, of Dartford, county Kent, and had Thomas, of Howley, [illegible] Christopher, Hector, Elizabeth, married to Francis Haldenby, [illegible] Thomas Wombwell, and Bridget to Nicholas Hague. See Dug[illegible] continued.

executors shall sell to the best proffett the wardshipe and bodie of Thomas Wentworthe, sonne and here of John Wentworthe, esquier, my eldest sone, whiche wardshipe I latelie bought and paide for of the saide John my sone, and the money thereof I bequeath to Brigitt and Frauncys my yonger doughters towardes the advancement of ther mariages, so that they be ruled by thadvise of my executors. And if it forton Thomas the sone of the saide John Wenteworth to die before he be maried, then my executors shall sell the preferment and mariedge of the next here or heres of the saide John, accordinge to my bargaine with the saide John, and distribute the money as above is appoynted. I give to Dame Jane my wif my towe best saltes of silver and gilte, one dossan of my best spones, too of my best gilte goblettes with a cover, and the rest of my plate, amonges my yonger sonnes. I will that myne executors do fynde an honest preste to singe for my soull, my fathers soull, and my mother soull by the spacie of one holl yere, and to have for his wages seven markes. I will that Robert Bradforde, my servaunte, have the patente which I have made to hyme and the howse in Moreley, called Deane, for his lif, and shall at all tymes gyve attendance apon my wif and my sone Thomas, or of suche of my sonnes as shall chaunce to be lorde of Howleye. The residue of all my goodes I give to Dame Jane my wif. I ordan as executors my wif, Thomas Wentworth and Christofer Wentworth my sonnes. I ordayne Sir Christofer Danbie supervisor, and give hyme fortie shillinges. In witnes whereof I have subscribed my name with myne owne hande. Witnesses, Richarde Yaxlee, Robert Forenes, William Bigleskirke, chaplen, Sir John Moore and Robert Bradforde. To Elisabeth Marshall my servant five markes in moneye.

[Proved 20 August, 1544, by the widow and son Thomas Wentworth, power reserved for son Christopher a minor.]

CXXII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM ROKEBY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 616.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, William Rookbie,* esquier, and balif of Marske, the fourth day of Aprile, in the yere

* Younger son of Thomas Rokeby, of Mortham. In the 1584 *Visitation* his wife is called Grace Fitzhenry, or Fitzharris, of Richmondshire. His eldest son Ralph, whose will, 17 May, was proved at York, 27 Oct., 1564, was father of Sir Robert, of Manfield, at the *Visitation*. His second son William was Archdeacon of Cleveland and judge of one of the Spiritual Courts at York, and Lawrence was a merchant at Newcastle.

of our Lorde Gode, 1542, make my last will or testament in this forme followinge. Firste I give my soull to God Almightie, and assyne my bodie to be buried in my parishe churche of Sancte German, and I assyne x s. to the vicare accordinge to the king's acte. Also I give to my sone and here Rauf Rookbie all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, with all my farmeholdes, whome I make myne executor, so that the said Rauf shall trulie pay, or make to be paide, to William my son xx li., and to Laurence my sone other xx li., and to Elisabeth my doughter vj li. xiij s. iiij d., in penny or pennyworthe, and that he stande in full satisfaction and dischardge of ther childes partes or porcons. Thes witnesses, Georgie Davie our vicare, John Talior and John Walker, prestes, John Kempley, Robert Tompson.

[Proved 4 Oct. 1542.]

CXXIII. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN ELANDE, KNT., OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 618.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxix^th^ day of the monthe of Aprile, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1542, I, John Elande,* of the Kingstone opon Hull, knyght, beinge visitt with the hande of God, havinge a perfitt and a goode remembrance, makes this my last will in manner and forme followinge. Firste I bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie courte and company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the hie quere of the Trinitie Churche in the saide towne, on the left hande of my father. Item I give to Anne Langton and Rose Langton, either of theme, one hundreth poundes; and the one die, thother to have the holl ij^c li. Item I give to Georgie Litilburie l li. To James Pennyman x li. and his heres for ever. And my mynde is that my wif shall have, and I bequeathe her all my landes in Hull, Hull shire, York shire, and Lincoln shier, for terme of her lif, and the house that I dwell in thre yeres after her decese to her assignes, my landes after my wif is decese,

* Probably descended from a younger branch of the Elands, of Eland, whose possessions went to the Saviles. There does not seem much known about the testator. His *Inquisitio post mortem*, taken 10 Aug., 34 Henry VIII, says that he died 6 May, 34 Henry VIII, and that his heirs were John Hawsewell, of London, gent., Edward Musgrave, gent., John Rokesbie, gent., William Cheyne, gent., and Thomas Crathorne, gent., to lands at Hedon, Wyton, Beverley and Molescroft. In Glover's *Visitation* it states that Thomas Crathorne married Alice, one of the four heirs of Sir John Eland. The Crathornes quartered the Eland arms.

and that the yeres of my dwellinge house then to go to myne heires, so that Thomas Crathorne be alway one and have his parte as one here. I will one prest be founde the space of vjth yeres for to singe for my soull and to have v li. by yere. I give to the vicare of Hesill xx d. I give to Richarde Smethley xx d. I bequeathe a close, late in the tenor of Colynson wif, for an annual dirige, whereof the vicare to have xij d. I make my wif Rose my sole executrix. I have geven to my wif ij li. in asmondes, waynscottes and salte c li. Also I give to my wif all my benefittes at Caylis, and all my stoke to Cayllars vj li. Also I give my plait to my wif, both gilte and ungilte, for that is the less valor of it xij li. Also I give to my wif all my householde and vestmentes, with all other implementes highe and lowe, to the some of c li. And also I give to her all my horse, my corne at Andlabie, and all my taxes l li.; also the gift of my chantre, a donative, and after her decesse I give the gift of it to the towne of Hull for ever. Also I will that my wif shall have the governanance of the cc li. that I bequeath to Anne Langton and Rose Langton, to they be maried, and at her assignynge after her death in case they be not maried befor. Thes beinge witnesses, Richard Smethley, esquier, James Johnson, alderman, Henrie Thirnscrofte, alderman, the Vicar of Hessell, William Woodall, Sir Georgie Payuter, prest, Georgie Litelburie, Michaell Johnson, James Pennyman, James Harwod, John Smethles, clerke, William Wright, &c.

[Proved 11 July, 1542.]

CXXIV. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN CONSTABLE, OF BURTON CONSTABLE, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 611.]

In the name of God, Amen. The seconde day of Maij, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1542, I, John Constable,* of Burton Constable in Holdernes, knyght, holl in mynde and of perfite remembrance, makith this my last will and testament, in manner and forme followinge. Firste I give and bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the sanctes in heaven, my bodie to be buried at the churche of Haldesham, wher myne auncestors doth lie. Item I bequeath to the highe altare xx s., to the highe altare of Swyne x s., to every

* The head of the Burton Constable family. His grandfather, Ralph Constable's will, March 6, 1497–8, is printed in *Test. Ebor.*, vol. iii, 279.

one of my men servauntes that werith my liveray xx s. I will that my tenants of Haldesham shall have, every one of them, xij d. Item I give unto Johan Constable my wif and to John Constable my sone and here towe parts in thre partes, to be devyded of my lordships, mannours of Burton Constable, Westhaldesham, and Esthaldesham, and also I give to the saide Johan and John ij partes in the townes and feldes of Riall, Camerton, Paull, Maunbie, Kirkbie Knole and Kirkbie Wiske. I will Johan my wif and John my son take xl li. of the yerlie proffettes to the use of my brother in lawe Martyn Hillierde, esquier, unto the some of three hundreth poundes be satisfied and paid, and I will the aforesaid money to be paide unto the saide Martyn Hillierde for acquytinge and discharginge of all my surties bounden with me in several obligacons for payment of the saide money for Fraunces my doughter marriadge. Item I will Johan my wif and Johne my sone, of the yerlie issue, do pay unto Anne Constable and Elisabeth Constable, my susters, fyve hundreth markes to ther mariadge, that is to say, either of them ij hundreth markes and fiftie, in full satisfaction of all ther legacies, and in the meyne tyme to be ordered by my wif. I give Johan my wif the ferme and lease of Lamcoathe. To Rauf Constable, Robert Constable, and Fraunces Constable my bretherne, every one of them, iij li. vj s. viij d., to bie every one of them a geldinge. Item I give to my sone Rauf a damaske gowne and my crose of golde, and to my sone John my ringe with all my apparell. To Fraunces my doughter one of the best cyprese chestes, to my suster Jane xx shepe, and to my susters Anne and Elizabeth, either of theme, a coffer, to Margaret Preston iij li. vj s. viij d., to Thomas Plumpton xxvij s. viij d., to Thomas Thomson, vicar of Hombleton xiij s. iiij d. . . . The residue of all my goodes, my dettes paide, I give unto my wif Johan Constable, whome I make my sole executrix, and I give to my brother in lawe Martyne Hillierde vj li. xiij s. iiij d., the which with Rauf Constable and Robert Constable I make to be supervisors, and they to have for ther paynes xxvj s. viij d. These witnesses, Martin Hillierde, William Thorpe, esquires, Robert Constable, Walter Grymston, Thomas Thorpe, gentilman, Thomas Thompson, clerke, Thomas Plumpton, and aliis.

[Proved 20 Oct. 1542.]

CXXV. THE WILL OF ROBERT CONSTABLE, OF BIRDSALL.

[Reg. Test. xi. 608.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxviijth day of Junij, the yere of oure Lorde God, 1542, I, Robert Constable, of Birdsall, of holl mynde and goode memorie, doth make my last will in manner and forme followinge. I give and bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, to oure blissed ladie, and to all the blissed company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of Birdsall, and I do make my father William Constable and Elisabeth my wif my full executors, to pay my dettes, and to dispose for my soull as they shall thinke best. Thes witnesses, Sir Robert Watson, curate of Birdsall, Christopher Parker, gentleman, John Herwode, Walter Hawlowe and Georgie Franke.

[Proved 2 Aug. 1542.]

CXXVI. THE WILL OF SIR ROBERT NEVELL, OF LIVERSEDGE, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 638.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last day of Julij, 1542, I, Robert Nevell,* of Leversege, knyght, being holl in bodie and perfitt in remembrance, maketh this my laste will and testament. First I give and bequeath my soull to God Almightie, and to the company and feloshipe of oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to the sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in Burstall Church or Ledes Churche. Also I give to the blissed sacrament at Bristall Churche xx s. in recompence of forgotten tithes. Also to the blissed sacrament at Ledes churche xiij s. iiij d. in recompence of forgotten tithes. Also I will that a trentall of messes be saide and songe the day of my buriall. Also I will that my executrix shall cause an honest prest to singe or say messe one holl yere next after my departure, wher I am buried for my soull and all Christen soules. Also I will that my sone and here do not disturbe my wife of any parte of her joynter or dower, as he will have my blessinge. Also I will that my yonger sones have suche landes as I have geven theme by my dedes. I give by this my will to Thomas Nevell my sone all those landes which I have purchased the reversion thereof, after the deth of Anne Fox, widow, which she occupieth for terme

* Son of Thomas Nevile, of Liversedge, by Isabell Sheffield, and grandson of Sir John Nevile, whose will is in *Test. Ebor.*, iv, 198. He married Ellen, daughter of Sir John Towneley, and was father of the unfortunate Sir John Nevile, who, having joined the northern rebellion, had all his estates confiscated.

of her lif in Hunslett, the said Thomas to take the proffettes therof after the deth of the saide Anne Fox for terme of his lif naturall, and after his decesse, the said landes to go to my right heres for ever. Also I give to the saide Thomas Nevell, for terme of his lif, the tenement that Thomas Hill dwellith in in Ledes Kirkegate, which I purchessed. Also I give to Robert Nevell my sone the terme of yeres of all those landes and tents in Holbeke, which I bought of Christofer Atkinson, whiche landes was latelie taken by the saide Christofer and other of the late prior and convente of the suppressed monasterie of the Holie Trinitie, of Yorke, for terme of yeres, which lyes sealed with the convent seall, is in custodie and kepinge of John Godson and William Cowper, of Ledes, to the behof of me and the saide John Godson and William Cowper, and one Darvent. Also I give to Henrie Nevell my sone, for terme of his lif, towe tenementes with the lands therto belonginge, in Hecmundewike, whiche I purchased of one Redhouse and Edwarde Stone, which tenementes Roger Throgolande and Richard Denyson doe occupie at this day, which landes I give hollie to the saide Henrie Nevell my sone, for terme of his lif, and after his decesse to my right heres for ever. Also I will that my thre yonger sonnes shall have such landes as I have geven them by my dedes, without lett of my sone and here, as he will have my blessinge. Also I will that Rosamonde Nevell my doughter, during terme of her lif, shall have certayne closes in Hunslett to the yerlie valor of iiij li. for her lif, in the tenure of Maistres Isabell Townley, of Ledes, widue, of the yerlie valor of xl s., and certayne closes in the tenure of Richarde Mathue, and of the yerlie value of xxx s., and xij d. of yerlie rent of a certayne cotadge, now in the tenure of John Lef, and after her decesse the premisses to remayne to my right heres for ever. Also I will that my executrix shall take upe and resave of the residue of my landes and tenementes in Hunslett townshipe, and of my landes in hie Popilwell, Scoles, and Clackeheton yerlie, for the spacie of vij yeres next followinge of xx li. yerlie, to the some of seven score poundes be paide trulie in to the handes of my executrix, for and towarde the mariages of Beatrix and Helyne my doughters. And also I give to the mariages of my towe doughters all my parte of corne and grayn that I have with James Corker, at Huntwicke. Also I will that my sonne and here shall have all the inornamentes of my chapell left to hyme after the deth of my wiff, also the

bordes and formes at Leversege and Hunslett, with all the brewinge leddes, with the gret yron chymneth at Leversege, and a gallos of yron in the kitchen, with all the spittes, cobyrons and cressettes, and the gret pott of brasse at Leversege, and a pott that standes in a furnes at Hunslett. Also I give to my wif my take of yeres of the parsonadge of Kellyngton, towards helpynge of my childer and payinge of my dettes. Also I make her executrix of this my will, whiche I have written with myne owne hande. These beinge witnes, Sir Richarde Wardesworth, Sir William Talier and Robert Calbeke.

[Proved 26 Oct. 1542, by widow Ellen Nevell.]

CXXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN STORTHES, OF SHITLINGTON.

[Reg. Test. xi. 749.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xijth day of Auguste, 1542, I, John Storthes,* of the Newhall, in Old Shettillington, gentleman, makes my will. To be buried in the next parish churche yerde, wher it shall please God that I shall departe from this transitorie worlde. I will that Elisabeth my wif, from the day of my death, shall have thre partes of all my manours, landes in Burton, Thurstanlande, Metheley and Walton, and shall yerlie take all the yerlie rentes duringe the terme of xi yeres, to and for the use of the same Elisabeth and of Robert Storthes my yongest sone, and for the paymentes of my dettes and bequestes, and also shall receyve to her owne propre use the yerlie rente of foure poundes, five shillinges and eight pence, of the heires of late William Dodworth, in full recompence of certen landes in Methley, late parcell of her jointer, and I will that, after her decesse, Robert my yonger sone shall have thafforsaide rents, and I will that he shall occupie one messuagie in Thurstonlande, lately purchased of Thomas Rooley. To Jervys, myne eldest sone, one dussen of my spones doble gilted, with a case and cover doble gilted. And also I will that Elisabeth Tempest my doughter shall have my standinge cope, with a cover parcell gilted, and that Jane Key myne eldest doughter shall have one salte, with one cover doble gilted, and that Robert my yongest

* He appears to have been also of Storthes Hall, in Thurstonland. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 10 Aug., 36 Henry VIII (1544), in which it states that he died 18 March, 35 Henry VIII (1543–4), Gervase, son and heir, being twelve years old. The only notice of this family is in Morehouse's *History of Kirkburton*. Gervase Storthes was buried at Kirkburton Church, 6 July, 1573, and there are several entries of his family in the registers, but soon after 1603 the property was sold, and the name became extinct.

[illegible] shall have one drinkinge [illegible], with a cover parcell gilte, and I will that Elisabeth my wif shall have all [illegible] place as longe as she lyves. Also I will that my wif and Robert my sone, whome I make myne executors, shall have all my [illegible] goodes, and that they shall dispose the same as they shall seme best for the helthe of my soul, at the sight and by the advice of Mr. Sir Henrie Savell, knight, whome I make supervisor. And also forther the same John Storthes, by thadvice and consent of the same Elisabeth his wif, made at day of his deathe and for the well of his soul, added to the bequestes as they do appere and lethe the remede of Richarde Poplewell, William Bedforde, and others. 15 Marche, 1543. First to Sir William Elles to singe messe for his soull, and have at Newhall made and drinke for that one yere onlie, and xl s. Also to Sir Henrie Clegte his chaplan to have for to singe one trentall of messes v s. Also to John Storthes his bastarde sone xl s. To William Beatson, for god servicie, vj s. viij d. To John Mylner iij s. iiij d. To Richarde Richardson xx s. To William Storthes xx s. To Anne Thorpe one cowe. To Margaret xx d.

[Proved 26 April, 1544.]

CXXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS BRIGHAM, OF FISHOLME, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 618.]

In the name of God, Amen. The vj day of Septembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1542, I, Mr. Thomas Brigham,* of Fisholme, in the countie of Yorke, esquier, holl of mynde and of goode remembrance, makes my last will in this manner. First I bequeathe my soull frelie to the lyvinge God in Trinitie, my creator and redeemer, to the blessed Virgyne oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company in heven, my bodie to be buried wher it shall please God Almightie, after the order of a Christian man. Item I give by the strenght of this my last will to Rauf Brigham my sone, yerlie, the some of vj li. xiij s. iiij d., for terme of his lif, and after his decesse, to retorne agayne to the right heres of my bodie. Also I give, sell and bequeathe to Agnes Brigham, John Brigham the yonger, and Anne Brigham my doughters, to them by yere, vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to suche tyme as the some of xl li. be fully and holly paide to them. All which bequestes I

* He is said to have married a daughter of Edward Roos, of Routh. His son, Sir Ralph Brigham, was father of Francis Brigham, who signed the *Visitation* of 1584; and a descendant, William Brigham, entered his pedigree in that of 1665.

will shall be taken yerlie oute of all my manors, landes and tentementes in Wyton, Colden, Cathewike and Beverlay, in the countie of Yorke, unto suche tyme this my will be fully performed, and after to retorne to the right heres of my bodie. To Thomas Atkynson and Ezache Atkynson, sonnes unto John Atkynson, of Bridlington, late decessed, to either of them yerlie for termes of ther lyves, xxvj s. viij d., yerlie, to be taken of the landes in Cathewicke, in the holdinge of Robert Bursatt, to the yerlie value of foure markes equally, and after ther decess to retorne to the right heres of me for ever. I bequeathe to my sone Rauf Brigham my chamlett gowne, my long night gowne, both my chamlett jackets, and a paire of virginals. To Thomas Atkynson my grene colored jackett, and one other jackett of the newe colore, with velvett bandes. To Ezachie Atkynson my blake bonnet that I were of the workeday. To William Harpham, of Brigham, one house in Brigham called Davie house for lif, to the yerlie value of x s. ix d., and the cote crofte by yere x s. for terme of his lif, and also after his decese to retorne to my right heres for ever. To Thomas Grymston my cousyne my grete bay mere and my little maire that I doo ride of. I will that ther shall be taken of my parte of a shipe called Jhus, so moche money as is behynde to Fraunces Constable unpaide of his mariadge goodes, and the residue to go to my executor for the performance of this my laste will. To Johan my doughter at London iij li., whiche I will shall be mayde vj li. xiij s. iv d. To Rauf Brigham my sone all my farmholdes that I have by lease on indenture, or by copie, and the tithe of Carnetbie, and I will that the rentes of the said tithe, which is due to the kinge at this Michaelmas, be paide of other of my goodes then of the saide corne, so that the saide corne may come clere to hyme. I give my brother Roose my great hawke, whome I make the supervisor. I make myne executor Georgie Brigham my sone and here. Thes witnesses, Sir John Kellett, prest, Humfray Chawmber, balie of Bridlington, Thomas Colton, John Dollande, Robert Crowder.

[Proved 19 Sept. 1542.]

CXXIX. THE WILL OF JOHN NEVILE, LORD LATIMER, OF SNAPE.

[Reg. Test. xi. 672.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xij day of Septembre, 1542, I, John Nevell,* knyght, Lorde Latemer, beinge in

* Son of Richard Nevile, Lord Latimer, by Anne, daughter of Sir Humphrey Stafford. He was at first rather implicated in the Pilgrimage of

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servauntes, suche of theme as have any annuytes, ther quarter wadges, and such of theme as have none annuyte, ther holl yeres wages, and to pay also to every my saide servauntes ther holl yeres lyveraye, or sufficient recompence for the same. Also I will that my executors distribute emonges power people, and in suche townes wheras by ther discrescions shall be thought most nedefull, fortie poundes of money within one moneth next after my decesse. Also I give my cosyne, Sir Marmaduke Constable, thelder, knyght, the yonger amblinge gelding which latelie I bought of Peter Franklyne at Danbie, and unto my cosyne Robert Constable, his sonne, my best mayre. In witnes whereof to this my present will of my goodes, I have subscribed my name and sette my seall, whiche I use as my signet the day and yere above written.

To all faithfull and Christiane people, which shall se, here, or rede this present writinge, I, John Nevell, knyght, Lorde Latemer, sende greatinge in our Lorde God everlastinge. Knowe youre universite, that I, the saide Lorde Latemer, callinge to remembrance the moch uncertayne contynuance of this frele and transitorie lif of man her upon erth, do make my last will of certayne my landes, thereby devyse and dispose the same accordinge to the libertie graunted by the kinges most excellent maiestie. And whereas I have maide a lece to Margaret Nevell my doughter, my brother Christofer Nevell, my cosyne John Constable, and to John Laton and Robert Layton, my servauntes of my mannours of Nonmonkton, Hamerton, and other for terme of fourtie yeres, over and besides suche other my landes as is appertenynge to my wif, and besides the thirde of my holl landes whiche I have left to myne here, I will that Ladie Katheryne my wif shall have for terme of her lif the manoure of Stowe, with Nyne churche and litle Stowe, in the countie of Northampton, and also the yerlie rente of thre score poundes at Beole, in the countie of Worcester, in full satisfaction of her holl dowre over and besides her joynter. Also I will that Margaret Nevell my doughter have fyve hundrethe markes towardes the advancement of her mariadge, to be levied of my manours at Nonmonkton and Hamerton, over and besides fyve hundrethe markes whiche I have gyven her to her mariadge by my will of goodes. Also I will that all the residue of the saide landes over the fyve hundrethe markes a yere to be taken by the saide Lady Katheryne yerlie, duringe fyve yeres, for the bringinge upe of my doughter. Also I will that after the saide some of v hundrethe markes be taken to thuse of my doughter, that then my brother

Richarde duringe the spacie of fourtie yeres, and with the saide rentes to fynde a prest yerlie to singe for my soull at Well Churche duringe the saide fortie yeres, which servicie I will that Sir Richarde Hardinge, late of Gisburgh, have duringe his lif. Also I will that after my decesse, the Master and vicare shall take all the rentes of the parsonedge of Sancte Georgie Churche in Yorke, for the terme of fortie yeres, and therwith to fynde a scole maister at Well for kepinge of a scole and techinge of gramer ther, and to pray for me and them that I am most bounden to pray for. Also I will that my executors shall receyve yerlie twentie poundes, for the spacie of twentie yeres, of the residue of saide manners, to be bestowed of suche personnes as I ought, either of reason or conscience, to recompence, or to have pitie upon, and the residue of the saide twentie poundes to be distributed yerlie in almes to power folks. . . . . Also I will that my mannours of Walton, Marton in Burgheshier, Newton upon Ouse, Nunmonkton, with all the parsonadges of Sancte Georgie Churche in Yorke and Askham Richard, and also the mannours of Scampston, Benyngton, Flixton, Nonwikthorne, Firbie and Thirske, and all my landes in Walton, Marton in Burgheshier, and also the said landes, Wodbarowe, Stulton and Pyndevyne, in the countie of Worcestretoure, and also the manor of South Corney, in the countie of Glocetor, after my will performed, shall revert and come unto John Nevell my sone and here for terme of his lif, and after to the heres of his bodie, and for defalte of suche ishue, to the heres of the bodie of me the saide Lord Latemer. Memorandum that the original testament of the said Lord Latemer was subscribed upon the bakes of the saide will by certayne witnes, whose names herafter folowe, viz. John Constable, William Harper, chaplayne, Roger Bedwell, William Gladley, James Sympson, Richarde Ranaldson.

[Proved 22 May, 1543.]

CXXX. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS BAWSFORDE, OF CUCKNEY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 621*d*.]

Sept. 18, 1542, I, Nicholas Bawsforde, of the parishe of Cookney, prest, being seke in my bodie and holl of mynde and memorie, and consyderinge that the lif of man to be butt shortt in this worlde, and that ther is nothinge more certayne then deth, and no thinge more incertayne then the tyme of deth, therfor I provydinge for my soull

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sone Frauncys one goblett parcell gilte, also to my sone Anthony one silver salte parcell gilte, also to my sone Edmonde one silver cope with a cover parcell gilte, also to Agnes my doughter one silver cope withoute a cover and one maser bounde with silver. Also I will that all my goodes, imediatelie after the decesse of me and my wif and the longer liver of hus, to be egally delte emonges the saide Frauncys, Anthony, Edmonde and Agnes by the advise of my sone Frauncys. Also I will the residewe of termes of this house, that I do dwell in, after my decesse and my wiffes and the longer lyver of hus, to Edmonde my sonne by the advise of Frauncys my sonne, whom I ordan to be myne executor after my decesse. Thes beinge witnes, Edmonde Frobysher, Sir John Spynke, prest, Robert Masten, and William Johnson, with other moo.

[Proved 20 April, 1543.]

CXXXII. THE WILL OF ROBERT ASKE, OF AUGHTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 643.]

20 Sept., 1542. I, Robert Aske,* of Aughton, esquier, bequeath my soule to God Almyghte, and to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the quere of Aughton wher my auncetors lieth. Also I bequeath to the churche for my mortuary accordinge unto the statute. Also I will that I be honestlie brought forth to the grounde the day of my buriall, and that ther be done for my soull that day at the discression of my father and other my frendes. Also I will and bequeathe all the rest of my goodes, my funerall expenses discharged, the day of my saide buriall and all my dettes contented and paide, unto Anne my wiff, Christofer Aske, William Aske, my sonnes, Elisabeth Aske and Dorithie Aske, my doughters, who I do make, ordaine and constitute jointlie togethers myne executors. Thes beinge witnesses, Robert Henlake, curate of Aughton, Richarde Aske, of Lathome, and Christofer Bayne.

[Proved 2 Oct., 1542.]

* Son of John Aske, of Aughton, whose will follows, and grandson of Sir Robert Aske, whose will is printed in this volume, No. XXII. He died in his father's lifetime. According to the *Visitation* he married first Ellinor, daughter of Sir Ninian Markenfield; secondly Anne, daughter of Thomas Sutton, of Burton, co. Linc.; and was succeeded by his son Robert, whose son John "sold away Aughton and all his other lands."

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item a goblett parcell gilte withoute cover, item a cope of assey gilte with a cressande sett on the bodome, item my secunde salte gilte with a cover, item a spoone with an acorne doble gilte, item v other spones of silver, item my gret silver crose with oure ladie and Sancte John with a foote of silver and gilte to sett the crose in over the altare, item a silver sacringe bell parcell gilte, item a burrall with a silver foote gilte to putt in reliques with thre wiers of silver to stande on, item a vestment of whitt satten of burges with an albe, item a corparax caise of cremysen satten, item ij peces of arrayes with the xij apostles and xij proffettes, item v peces of verdoyes for hanginges, item a hanginge of rede and grene say paynted with a border of the birth of Christe, item a grene hanginge playne with a border of antike warke, item ij fether beddes with towe bolsters, item an olde coveringe of arras warke, item a pare of fuschian blankettes, item towe quishinges of velvett, the one blake and the other blewe, item towe carpettes overse warke, item a cupborde cloth of Dornex, item ij quishinges with pome garnettes, with other towe quishinges with flowers on them, item ij pillos of fushian, item my best brasyne morter. I bequeath unto Isabell Percie towardes her marriadge a playne standinge cupe with a cover doble gilte, item a playne goblett doble gilte with a cover, item my towe silver pottes of silver, item my best salte gilte with a cover, item a spone of golde, a spone with Sancte Katheryne doble gilte, item a basynge with a cover of silver, a cope of assey with a cresande, a longe silver spone for sokett, a longe forke of silver for sokett, a chales of silver, ij crewettes of silver, a silver sacringe bell gilte, a pix of silver sett in burralles for the sacrament, a pax of silver doble gilte, a hollie watter fatte with a cover of silver and a swenkyll of silver to the same, a vestement of cremysyn satten with an albe, ij playne altare clothes, a diaper altare cloth, a salter booke in volyme written and covered with cremysen velvett, iiij peces of newe arras of the storie of Venus, thre peces of tapstrie werke of Alexander, a hanginge paynted red and yolowe with a border of the passion, a bede of downe with a bolster, towe other fether beddes with ij bolsters, a coverynge of a bedde of taffetay with dapis of golde and a teister of the same, with foure curtaynes of tawne sarcenett, an other coverynge of a bede oversee warke with birdes and beasts on it, a pare of fushian blankettes, a quishinge of russett velvett, a longe carpett for a longe bedde, another carpett oversee warke, a cupborde cloth of grene say, thre quishinges wherof towe of carpett warke

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CXXXIV. THE WILL OF JOHN FITZWILLIAM OF HADDLESAY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 660.]

In the name of God, Amen. Written at Est Haddlesey, the xxvijth day of the moneth of Octobre, in the yere of oure lorde God 1542, that I, John Fithwilliam,* of the said towne, gentleman, seke of bodie and holl of mynde and perfitt memorie (loued be God), makes this my last will. First I give and bequeath my soull to God Almightie and to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche or churche yerde of oure blissed ladie in Birkyne aforesaide. I give unto the highe altare of the saide churche, and to be prayed for, xx d. Unto Sir William Gibson, the parishe prest, my knyves. Unto the parishe clerke xij d. The residue of my goodes not bequest I give unto John Fithwilliam my sone, whome I make my executor of this my testament and last will by thes presentes, that this my testament and last will may be fulfilled. Written at Est Haddlesay the day and yere above expressed. Thes witnesses, Sir Benedicte Medley, prest, Thomas Longley, William Oxton, and Sir William Gibson, prest.

[Proved 7 April, 1543.]

CXXXV. THE WILL OF JOHN SOTHEBIE, OF BURTON PIDSEA.

[Reg. Test. xi. 702.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxx day of Octobre, 1542, I, John Sothebie, late clerke of Burton Pidse, makith my last will. First I bequeath my soull to God Almightie and to the blissed Virgyne Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche erthe of Sancte Peter and Paule in Burton aforsaide. Also I bequeath to the holie Sacrament viij d. To my curate the vicare viij d. To William Sothebie, my brother, one blake frese jackett. To Thomas Sothebie, my brother, one white frese jackett. The residue of my goodes not given I give to Katheryne my wif, and Peter, Christofer, Thomas, Margaret, and Alison, my children, whome I make my executors junctelie to gether, my will to fulfill and dettes to pay. Thes witnesses, Robert Topclif, prest, Stephan Raney, William Done.

[Proved 11 Feb., 1542.]

* Probably the son of Ralph Fitzwilliam, of Haddlesey, Captain of Sauveterre, in France. He is said to have married Margery, daughter of John Clervaux, of Croft. There is a pedigree of this branch of the Fitzwilliam family in Hunter's *South Yorkshire*, i, 339.

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thorpe, squyer, all which I will she shall enjoye duringe her lif. I bequeath to John Ryther, of London, squyer, and cofferer to oure sovraign lorde Prince Edwarde, the reversion of all the landes before bequeathed, and also the residue of my lordshipe of Ryther to the said John and to his heres, remaynder to the right heres of Thomas Ryther, also decessed. Also I give further to the saide John Ryther my manner of Scarcroft and all landes in Scarcroft, Scawcroft hill, Shadwell, and also my half manner called Kirkbie upon Wharf, and all other my landes in Kirkbie and Grymston, also my lordship of Hornyngton in the countie of the Citie of Yorke, to him and his heres, remaynder as before. I will the saide John and his heres shall kepe fyve beadfolkes in the Bedehouse at Ryther, with meatt and drinke, clothinge, with all other necessaries for ever, according to the will of the saide Thomas Ryther, decessed. Also he to kepe one prest, called Sir Peter Warde, to synge in the saide parishe churche of Ryther for xxv yeres for my soull and for the soull of Sir Rauf Ryther my father, and of dame Mawde my mother, and for the soull of my brother Thomas, and for the soull of all other myne auncetors, and for all Christen soules, and the saide Sir Peter Warde to have for his stipende fyve poundes fyve shillings and eight pence yerlie. I give to Agnes my wife the moitie and half of all my goodes and chattels. To Agnes my wif, John Ryther, squyer, and William Babthorpe, squyer, all the residue of my goodes unbequeathed, and to be executors; and the most reverende father in God, Edwarde, tharchbishope of Yorke, supervisor, and for his paynes my horse called Thornton.

[Proved 13 March, 1543-4.]

CXXXVIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD PALMES, OF NABURN.

[Reg. Test. xi. 676.]

No date. Richard Palmes,* of Naborne, gentleman. I bequeathe to my brother Nicholas all suche somes of money as he oweth me, and that he therwith vertuouslie and with lernynge bringe upe my god sone, the which be his naturally begotten, and I bequeathe to my saide brother my maire. And I bequeath to my brother Georgie such somes of money as he owethe me, and thereof I desier hyme to give to my

* Called in the margin "generosus et Juris peritus." He was son of Bryan Palmes, of Naburn, Sergeant-at-law, whose will was printed *Test. Ebor.*, v, 103. From his brother Nicholas descends the present family at Naburn. His brother George was Archdeacon and Canon of York, Vicar of Sutton-on-Derwent.

CXXXVI. THE WILL OF RO

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CXXXVII. THE WILL

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was latelie graunted unto me by Mr. Lacie, of Cromwelbothome, esquier, unto Margaret and Anne my doughters, and to the survivor of theme duringe the spacie of xx yeres next, and after the full ende and terme of twentie yeres, then I will all the saide mease and landes be hade and holden to Robert Haldesworth my sone, and to his heres for ever. I will that John Haldesworth my sone and here well and trulie paye into the handes of Margaret my wif, within the spacie of five yeres, tenne poundes towardes the paynge and dischardginge of my dettes, and after the ende of the said five yeres I will that he, the saide John, paye unto William and Christofer, my sonnes, yerlie xx s. duringe all ther naturall lyves. I assigne unto Margaret my wif the thirde parte of all my goodes, and the reversion of all my said goodes I give unto William, Christofer, Robert, Margaret, and Ann, my childer, equally. Witnesses, John Haldesworth, als Jenkyn and William Haldesworth, with other, viz. John Waterhouse, of Mereclough, and Henrie Batte.

[Proved 14 July, 1543.]

CXL. THE WILL OF HEZAKIAH CLIFTON, ESQ., OF BURTON AGNES.

[Reg. Test. xi. 729.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The tenth day of Junij, in the yere of oure Lord God 1543, I, Ezachie Clifton,* late of Burton Agnes, in the diocess of Yorke, esquier, beinge of holl mynde and saf memorie, make my will. First I bequeathe my soull unto Almightie God my Creator, his most blissed moder and virgyne our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche or churche yerde wher it shall forton me to die, at the discrescion of myne executors. I give unto pouer folkes the day of my buriall fyve poundes, unto the parson or vicare of the churche wher I shall forton to die my best horse, as in the name of suche some as by the lawe I shulde pay for my mortuary. I give unto my foure doughters, Jane, Alice, Margaret, and Elisabeth, a certayn pasture within the lordshipe of Preston, called Polley, which I late purchased of Sir Gervacie Clifton, knyght, to have and to holde unto theme and ther heres for ever, as in full payment and satisfaction of for and upon all suche goodes, cornes and cattalles, as

* Son of Sir Gervase Clifton, of Clifton, co. Notts., whose will was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, iv, 64 (by Agnes, daughter of Sir Robert Constable, of Flamborough, and widow of Sir Walter Griffith, of Burton Agnes, whose will is in *Test. Ebor.*, iv, 242). His daughter Jane was wife of Ralph Constable, of St. Sepulchre's, in Holderness. His wife was daughter and coheiress of Robert Twyer.

after my dethe they myght clame in the name of ther children partes. I will that Alicie and Margaret, my doughters, have either of theme twentie poundes, which Walter Clifton, ther brother, gave theme unto ther mariages, whiche is nowe in the handes of Sir Gervase Clifton, knyght. I give unto my doughter, Jaune Constable, my take of Fletcher Close and eight kie therin, and to my sone Rauf Constable my secunde best horse, my best mayre, one yoke of oxen, my take of Sepulcors and xl li. I give unto my servaunte Thomas Johnson xl s., to my servaunt Thomas Sharpe the bedde that he lyeth in excepte the coverynge, my takkes of Clifton Close and Fletbie Close, my russet gowne furred and fyve markes, to Thomas Gaynsburghe xxvi s. viij d., to John Butler xl s. and John Cokkyn v s., to John Tathwell xiij s. iiij d., to John Fardinge xxvij s. which he owes me, to Sir William Webster, vicare of Annes Burton, my blake furrede gowne and xx s., and to Sir Richarde Webster my say gowne or my cloike and xiij s. iiij d., and to Sir Christofer Haliday my cloike or say gowne and xxj s. iiij d., and to Sir Thomas Bell x s., and to Eliz. Tenyson xiij s. iij d. I will that Sir Richarde Webster and Sir Christofer Halyday have yerlie durynge thre yeres either of theme iiij li. vj s. viij d. to singe for my soull and the soules of my wif, my father, my mother, ladie Agnes Clifton, Sir Walter Griffith, knyght, Mr. Silvan Clifton, Walter Clifton, and all theme that I ame bounden to pray for and all Christen soules. To my doughter Elisabeth Clifton a fedder bedde, a teester and a rede coveringe of a bede. I give unto Colledge of Clifton xx s., to the Colledge of Lowthorpe xxs., to the churche of Annes Burton xxs., to either of Preston and Hedon churches xx s., to Richarde Wilson my eldest jakkett and xiij s. iiij d. that he owes me. I give unto either of the doughters of Rauf Constable half a dossan of silver spones, and the residue of all my goodes I bequeathe unto my sone Rauf Constable and Sir William Webster, vicare of Annes Burton, whom I make my executors to pay my debtes and chardges that canne be founde due the day of my death or after, and to dispose emonges power people and warkes of charite. Witnesses, Sir Richarde Webster and Sir Christofer Haliday, prestes.

[Proved 14 March, 1543.]

[illegible]. THE WILL OF RALPH ELLERKER, OF LISSETT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 691.]

[illegible] the name of God, Amen. 1543, and the xv^th^ day of [illegible] Rauf Ellerker, of Lissatt, of goode and holl

remembrance, makes my last will. First I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the chapell of Sancte James the Apostle in Lissett within the parishe of Beforthe. Also I bequeath to the Sacrament for oblacons forgotten xij d. Also to Thomas my sone a silver spone, ij oxen and ij horse. Also to the chapell of Lessett iij s. iiij d. To Sir John Coke, my curate, iij s. iiij d. To Sir John Blake howse iij s. iiij d. Also it is my mynde and will that every one of my childer have elike moche to ther partes accordinge as the goodes will extende. The residue of all my goodes not bequest I give to Sir Thomas Pynder, the parson of Barneston, whome I make my holl executor to dispose all my dettes, legacies and funerall expenses paide and dischardged, as he thinkes best for the helth of my soull. Witnes herof Sir John Coke, Martyne Wiske, Robert Sanderson, Christofer Pennoke.

[Proved 3 Aug., 1543.]

CXLII. THE WILL OF GEORGE CLAPHAM, OF NUNNINGTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 726.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxvj day of Julij, in the yere of oure lorde God a thousande fyve hundreth fourtie and thre, I, Georgie Clapham, gentleman, of Nonnyngton, beinge somewhit seke in my bodie but of goode mynde and perfitt memorie, lawded be God, make and ordan this my will. First I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, my redemer and maker, and oure blissed Ladie the Virgyne Marie, and all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the longe chapell within Powles. Item I bequeath to the mother churche of Poules iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to the parishe churche of Nonnyngton wher I am parishoner for my tithes negligentelie forgotten vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to the highe altare of Sancte Fathes in London iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to Mr. Richarde Norton a sorell geldinge with a white facie, to my lorde of Canterburie an honeste geldinge after my wif discretion, to my lorde of Northfolke a mynyon geldinge after my wif discretion, to William Butteler my sone in lawe my best geldinge next unto the sorrell with the white facie, to my cosyn Mr. David Clagpham an honest geldinge, a blake gowne and twentie markes sterlinge towardes his paynes, labors, costes and chardges that he hath beene at with me; to Mr. Rudstayn ane honest geldinge after my wif discretion, to Peter my servaunte a white trottinge nagge

which was William Mayson's and x s. more then his yeres wadges, and also I will that my wif shall helpe hyme to some ferme or some other promocon. To Sir Thomas Watson a gray amblinge colte, to Thomas Whitfelde my servaunte a gray geldinge called graye Bulmer, and doth comytt hyme to my wif as myne owne childe. To Thomas Tailor, my cosyn Clapham father in lawe, a blake gowne. To my suster Umfryans (?) x li. sterlinge whiche I do owe here. Item I will that Maistres Calverley shall have x li. to be paide to suche a person as she doth knowe, and also my cosyn David Clapham to whome I have also declared my mynde, and I will that my cosyn David Clapham shall reserve the saide x li. in his handes of suche money as he hath of myne till such tyme as he shall delyver it to the saide Maistres Calverley, or wher she shall appointe. I will that my cosyne David Clapham shall paye such legacies as I have bequeathed in money as to my kepers the writers of my testament, to the churche of Poules and Sancte Fathes, the parishe prest Thomas Toppinge, Thomas Tailor, and I will that he shall reserve so much money of myne as shall dischardge the saide legacies in his handes. Item I bequeath to my cosyne David Clapham wif a geldinge after the discression of my wif, to Johan Lane my keper vj s. viij d., whiche I will she shall resave of the handes of my cosyn David Clapham to some honest use after his discression, to Leonarde Edrington, servaunte to my lorde of Canterburie, a geldinge price xls. Item I bequeath to be bestowed at my buriall xx^tie^ markes sterlinge, whiche I will my cosyn David Clapham shall se bestowed accordinge to his discression, to the makinge of this my will vj s. viij d., to Thomas Typpynge iij s. iiij d. for his paynes takinge. I will that my wif shall rewarde Thomas my brother and my sone Robynson as she thinkes reason of my apparell. I bequeath to the parishe prest of Sancte Fathes iij s. iiij d. The residue I give to Margaret my wif and comitt it holl to her discression for terme of her lif, and after her decesse to my sone Nicholas and the other childe that she is withall nowe, and if it forten any of the saide children to departe this world or they come to yeres of ther discrescion, then I will that iche of theme be others here, and if they departe both afor they come to lawful age then I will my wif shall distribute the saide goodes and leases accordinge to her discression, whome I do make my executrix with Nicholas my sone and the other childe which she goethe withall, if it please God to lyve in this worlde. I make my overseers, Mr. Robert Constable sone and heir to Sir Marmaduke Constable of Everyngham, and Mr. Richarde

Norton sone and here to Mr. Norton, of Norton. Thes witnes, Thomas Golley, Laurencie Hodgeson, William Serys, with other moo as Thomas Whitfelde and Peter Gampyon.

[Proved 12 March, 1543–4.]

CXLIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS FOXCROFT, OF SOWERBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 697.]

In the name of God, Amen. The thirde daye of Septembre, in the yere of oure lorde God 1543, I, Thomas Foxcrofte,* of Sourbie, within the parishe of Hallifax, seke in bodie, holl of mynde, and of perfite remembrance, ordaneth, makith, and declareth, by this my present writinge, my true and full mynde, intent, and will in forme followinge, that is to witt. First and principally I give and bequeath my soull unto God Almightie, to the blissed Virgyne oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe chirche dedicate to God in the memorie of the holie prophett Sancte John Baptiste at Hallifax, and I bequeath for my mortuarie and tithes negligentlie forgotten unto the kinges gracie actes for that purpose inacted. To Isabell my welbeloved wif the thirde parte of all my goodes. To Sir William Foxcrofte my sone, the Rector Sprikelington, tenne poundes in full contentacon of all his holl canonicall porcon and childe parte. To James Foxcrofte my sone, nowe beinge maried, tenne pounde in full. To Georgie, John, Martyne, Michaell, Thomas, and Jennet, my childer, all ther holl childe partes of all my holl goodes, cattalles, and dettes equally to be devyded emonge theme, and the revercion of all my holl goodes I give to Richarde Foxcrofte, myne eldest sone and here, whom I ordane my sole executor. Witnesses, John Dobson, John Brige, John Dobson of the Stubinge, with other.

[Proved 18 Sept., 1543, by Richard Foxcroft.]

CXLIV. THE WILL OF RICHARD FOXCROFT, OF SOWERBY.

[Reg. Test. xi. 733.]

In the name of God, so be it. The xxvij day of Septembre, 1543, I, Richarde Foxcrofte,† of Sourbie, within the parishe of Hallifax, sole and unmarried, of goode and

* The Foxcroft family was numerous at Halifax and also at Bargrange, Newgrange, and Weetwood, near Leeds, at which latter place Daniel Foxcroft, Mayor of Leeds, was living when he appeared before Dugdale. The testator was buried at Halifax Church, 9 September, and his wife also, 5 Oct., 1543. His eldest son, Richard, speedily followed his father.

† Son of the preceding Thomas Foxcroft.

perfitt memorie, notwithstandinge the vexacion of sekenesses, do ordan my last will. First and principallie I give my soull to God Almightie, to the blissed Virgyne our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche yerde at Hallifax. Also I will that all the dettes which I owe unto my bretherne and susters concernynge ther childe partes, and every parte and porcon therof, and to every other person, be well trulie and hollie content and paide by my executors undernamed and written, with suche goodes and dettes as I have gyven and devyded unto theme befor the day of the date hereof with myne owne handes, and also with such other goodes and dettes as I have and as is owinge unto me at this present day. I bequeathe to the reparacon and mendinge of Sorebie bridge x s.; also to Margaret Whitacres, Johane Walker, Margaret Benteley, Henrie Benteley, and Willm. Wode, to every one of theme, xx s. sterling. The revercon of all my goodes, my dettes paide and funerall expenses as beseemeth, I bequeathe to James Foxcrofte, Georgie Foxcrofte, and John Foxcrofte my bretherne, equally, whom I ordan my executors. Thes witnesses, John Brige, James Robynson, John Mawde, and James Dobson, of Stones.

[Proved 1 March, 1543–4.]

CXLV. THE WILL OF JOHN ASKE, OF AUGHTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 731.]

20 Nov., 1543. John Aske,* of Aughton, esquier. I bequeath my soull to God Almightie, and to his blissed mother oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and unto all the celestiall company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried where as it shall please Almightie God. Also I bequeathe to the churche of Aughton to the fyndinge of the roide light ther xx s. Also to the Vicare of the same churche vj s. viij d. to pray for my soull, also to the parishe clerke ther ij s. and the house that he dwellys in with thappurtenance for terme of his lif, withoute anythinge therefore payinge to me or myne heres. To my doughter Julian to her towards her mariedge towe hundreth markes, and she or her assignes to receyve the same out of my landes and tenementes in Dighton, Naborneholme, and Godmadham, and besides fyve markes to be taken yerlie oute of my saide landes and tenementes towardes her fyndinge

* Eldest son of Sir Robert Aske, whose will is in this volume, No. XXII, and father of Robert Aske, No. CXXXII. He married Ellinor, daughter and co-heiress of Sir Ralph Ryther, knt. His daughter Julian married Thomas Portington.

to she be maried if she be unmaried at the day of my deathe. I bequeath twentie poundes to be receyved by the churchwardens of Aughton oute of the said landes, and they with the same to finish the steple of the churche of Aughton. I will myne executors shall receyve all the rents of the same landes for payinge of my dettes and unto suche tyme as Elisabeth Aske, one of the doughters of my sone Robert Aske decessed, come unto thadge of xxj yeres, and then I will that the said Elisabeth or her assignes shall receyve fourtie poundes out of the same landes. I bequeathe to my foure sonnes every one of them xxx li., to be taken out of the same landes. I will that all such grauntes, annuyites, fees and leasses as I or my father, Sir Robert Aske, knight, have maide to my sonnes, servauntes, and tenauntes, shall stand in effecte duringe the termes of the same grauntes. To my sonne John the tith of Aughton with a close called Lange Flatte, a close called Crose Flate, a close called Neddle Flate, and Acomb Crofte, which I have by leasses of the late prior of Ellerton. To every one of my doughters ij silver spoones gilte. To Christofer Aske and William Aske, sonnes of my late son Robert Aske decessed, aither of them landes in Lathome and West Cottingworth to the yerlie value of iiij li. iiij s. for terme of ther lives. To Robert Aske, sone and here of my late sone Robert Aske decessed, all my harnes. To my sone Anthonie my house in Yorke for terme of his lif, paying yerlie to Sir William Fairfax, knyght, x s., and to myne heres the olde accustomed rente. I bequeathe to my thre sonnes Christofer, John and Richarde, every one of them xx s. by yere. I will my nephey Henry Portington shall have the governance of my towe yongest sonnes John and Richarde. I make my thre sonnes my executors, and Mr. William Babthorpe and my nephey Henrie Portington, esquier, supervisors. Thes being witnes, Robert Hessall, chaplain, Christofer Bayne, Richarde Aske, Thomas Grame, John Aske.

[Proved 28 March, 1544.]

CXLVI. THE WILL OF JOHN WAKEFELDE, OF PONTEFRACT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 737.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Wakefelde,* in the countie of Yorke, gentleman, and Maire of Pontefracte,

* There were five generations of Wakefields, Mayors of Pontefract. The testator's father, William, held that office in 1503 (see his will, No. III in this vol.), he himself in 1526 and 1543, his son Thomas in 1551, his grandson Thomas in 1570, and his great grandson Joshua in 1604 and 1613. This last Joshua, had a son, Vicar of Sessay, leaving descendants at that place, and their pedigree was entered at Dugdale's *Visitation*.

beinge of holl mynde and memorie, doth make this my last will the last day of Februarij, 1543. I bequeathe my soull unto the handes of Almightie God my Maker, Creator and Redemer, trustinge unfenydlie to be savide thoroughe the merites of Christes gloriouse passion, and to be delyvered therbie from the captivitie and bondage of the devell, whome utterlie I defie with all my myght, strenght and power, and my bodie to be buried wher it pleaseth Almightie God. Also I bequeathe to the high altare for tithes forgotten ij s. Funerall expenses and debtes discharged I will that the holl some of all other my goodes be at thorder of Agnes my wif, John, William, Robert, Anthony, my sonnes, and Effame and Katheryne, my doughters, whome I make my executors. In witnes whereof, Sir William Chamber my curate, Sir Robert Hoppay, Lionell Ruston, Robert Farnell, William Hodgeson.

[Proved 24 March, 1543.]

CXLVII. THE WILL OF THOMAS RERESBY, ESQ., OF THRYBERGH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 725.]

In the name of God, Amen. The yere of oure Lorde God 1543, I, Thomas Reresbie, of Thribarghe,* in the countie of Yorke, esquier, perfitt of remembrance, makes my last will. First I bequeathe my soull to oure lorde God to be partaker of heaven with oure blissed Ladie Sancte Marie and all the holie company thereof, and my bodie to be buried within the church of Sancte Leonarde at Thribargh, at the northende of the altare in the chancell. Also I give for my mortuarie accordinge to the Kinges lawes. Also wher I have receaved by my indenture maide betwixte me and Robert Swifte for a mariedge to be hade betwixt Lyon my sone and aire apparente and Anne, doughter to the saide Robert, tenne markes of my landes and tents. at my pleasore to give to my sonnes and doughters for terme of lyve or lyves or yeres or for a xij yers for the performance of my last will; I will give and bequest to Roke and Arnalde, my sonnes, Janne and Anne, my doughters, all those my messuages, landes, tenementes, medues and pastures nowe in the severall holdes and occupacons of Christofer Whetcroft and Rauf Whetcrofte and John Barker, whiche landes ar and be of the clere yerlie value of vij marc, and also xl s. forth of ij closes nowe in the tenore and occupacon of Lennarde Reresbie, clerke, my sone, the whole ij closes ar called the Newe Close and Dovecote Close, whiche ar and be of the clere yerlie valore of xl s., to have and

* His father's will is in *Test. Ebor.* v, 245. He married a daughter of John Fulnetby, and was succeeded by his son Lionel.

to holde to the said Roke, Arnalde, Jane and Anne for terme of ther lyves and the longest lyver of them. I will also that Margaret my wif shalbe my executor, my nephewe John Fulnaybie and my sone Leonarde parson if they will take it on hande, if not I give all my goodes, cattalls and other implementes what so ever I have in my custodie within the house or withoute the house to my wif Margaret, that she may ordere them as she thinkes most meet to her proffett and my childre. I bequest also to my wif in the pastures the libertie and grissinge of and for foure kie, iiij calves and iiij horses and mayres, graunted to me by indenture maid betwixte me and my brother Swifte, when I lett hyme my mannor at Thribarghe with all landes and groundes for the spacie of thre yeres, reservynge to my selfe the parlures, chambers and galares above thall at the west ende of the saide hall, also the garden and the orcherde adionynge to the saide parlures and chambers as the indentures specyfied duringe the saide terme of thre yeres, the whole thinges both comodites and proffettes I give my wif to have, holde and occupie in as large and ample manner after my decese as I do or may do beinge a lyve duringe the aforesaide terme of thre yeres. Moreover wher that my brother Swift and my sone Lyon my sone and aire, to the whiche Lyon I have left all my lande oute of feoffament, that is vj li. xiij s. iiij d. that I have for terme of lif geven my children as is exprest afor in this will, and I will that the saide Lyon have the tymbre prepared for a house at Wikersley, also he shall (have) the rynge wher upon is the seall of my armes, and shall have the portall in the neyther parlure and the supscription that is above the parlure, also I make hyme promysor of my will and he hath promysed me to se my dettes discharged as the goodes will extende, and I to be brough to the grounde as my ancetors hath beene befor me. I will that Margaret my wif shall have a blake gowne and a hoode of clothe, and Maistres Swifte a nother, and either of my doughters a blake gowne. Also my brother Swifte a blake gowne, my brother in lawe, my eldest sone Lyon, my sone Leonarde, my sone in lawe Roger Vavasor, my nephewe John Fulnebie, blake gownes and tippettes, my sone Roke, my nephewe John Baxter, John Grobbre, William Rawe, blake cottes. Also I will that my sone Lyon shall have my lese that I toke by the convent seall of Sancte Oswalde of the parsonedge of Wath, Adwicke, Swynton, Wentworth and Hollande, ther to resave all manner tithes and proffettes as in the forsaide lease mencioned. Also I give my sone Lyon all my harnes, and I give hyme also my colere that my father left me. Thes beinge witnes, Robert Lawe,

senior, Roger Vaviser, Robert Lawe, junior, Lenarde Reresbie, Roke Reresbie, Sir Richarde Randfelde, Sir Georgie Pagett, prestes, John Grobbre, Robert Longden.

[Proved 20 Feb., 1543.]

CXLVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN DRAKE, OF HALIFAX PARISH.

[Reg. Test. xi. 749.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiij day of Aprill, 1544, I, John Draike,* of the parishe of Hallifax, sole and unmarried, of goode mynde and perfite remembrance, and notwithstandinge the vexacon of sekenesses do orden my last will. First I give my soull unto God Almightie, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie and to all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche at Hallifax in the myddest alley. I bequeath to John, Humfray, and Gilbert Draike my sonnes to every one of theme xx markes, to Edwarde Draike my sone twentie and towe poundes, to Syr William Draike my sone iij li. vj s. viij d., to Margaret Baites my doughter xxj markes vj s. viij d., to John Baites here sone xx s., to my doughters Sibell Northende and to Elisabeth Garforth to either of theme xx marc, to Jennet Thompson my suster xx s., to John Midgeley xl s., to Isabell Swane my servaunte xx s. over and beyonde here wadges that I owe unto here. I bequeathe xx s. to be equally devyded emonges my sone Thomas Draike childer, and vj s. viij d. to the reparacon and mendinge of the highe waye betwyxt my house and the Hollyne Grawen, to the churche of Hallifax iij s. iiij d. The revercon of all my goodes to the saide Edwarde Draike my sone whome I make my sole executor, and I make the saide Thomas Draike my sone, Robert Deyne, William Haldesworth and John Cokerofte supervisors. Thes witnesses, Robert Northende, John Boye, William Gaukeroger, William Draike, sone of Thomas, with many other.

[Proved 2 May, 1544.]

CXLIX. THE WILL OF HENRY SKELTON, OF OSMONDTHORP.

[Reg. Test. xi. 757.]

31 March, 1544. Henrie Skelton,† of Osynthorpe, within Ledes parish. I bequeath my soull to the mercie of God and

* Founder of a wide spreading family at Halifax, from whom descended Nathan Drake, diarist of the siege of Pontefract Castle, and many Drakes well known in the clerical world.

† His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 22 Nov., 36 Henry VIII (1544), when it was found that he died 18 April, 35 Henry VIII (1544), and that Robert was his son and heir, aged 35 years, whose son Peter heads the pedigree in Glover's *Visitation* of 1585.

to the prayer of all the Sanctes, and my bodie to be buried afor the crucifix in Ledes churche. I give to the Sacrament for tithes forgotten xij d. I will my mortuary to be paide accordinge to the King's Acte. I give to William Skelton my sone twentie nobles. I give to Richarde Walker my sone in lawe seven nobles and better for his mariedge goode behynde not paide hyme. I give to Henrie Walker my doughter sone v s. To Sir Richarde Fletcher my curate ij s. To Sibell Walker my doughter a cowe. I will that the Nether Felde go towe yeres to pay my dettes withall. I make Elizabeth my wif my holl and sole executrix of this my last will, and all my goodes not bequeathed I give to Elizabeth my wif, or all that I may have in tyme to come, and she to pay all my dettes lawfully demaundid. I will that my wif have here feoffament of Langlande Close with a mylne at the est ende of it, and Calf Close and Shorte Langlande Close, or els I will she have here thirds throughe all my landes. I give oute of Skelbroughe doyll iij s. for to be prayd for and all my frendes soules, and my wif to have the order of it. Witnesses, Sir Richarde Fletcher, John Moxson and Edwarde Moxson.

[Proved 19 June, 1544, by the executrix.]

CL. THE WILL OF SIR RALPH EURE, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 810.]

In the name of God, Amen. The sexte day of the moneth of Maie, in the yere of our Lord God, 1533, I, Rawfe Ewrye,* knyght, being of hooll, stable and perfite memorie and mynd, maike this my last will in fourme following. First I witt and give my soull to Almightie God, to his blessed mother and virgine our blessed ladye Sanct Marye, and to all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried within the chauncell of the parishe churche of Hooton Busshell or elles where it shall please Almyghtie God. Also I wit and bequeth my best horse in the name of my mortuary. Also I wit and will that myne executors after my death shall pay to the howse of our ladye of Walsingham all such dettes and legaces as is owing to the prior and convente of the same place by my uncle, Sir Rawphe Bygod, knyght, and it for to be receyved and taken of the ishues and proffettes of my landes being in feoffement to and for the perfourmance of this my last will. Also I

* Son of Sir William Eure, by Margaret, daughter of Sir Robert Constable, of Flamborough. He was High Sheriff of Yorkshire 1506 and 1510, and married first Muriel, daughter of Sir Hugh Hastings, knight; secondly, Agnes Constable. By his first wife he had Sir William, Lord Eure, whose will follows. He died 22 Oct., 31 Henry VIII, according to the *Inq. p. m.* taken 20 Jan., 31 Henry VIII.

wit and bequeth to the churche warke of Hooton Bushell afforsaid xiij s. iiij d. Also I will that myne executors cawse an honest prest to sing and pray for my soull befor our ladye of Walsingham by the space of one yere incontynent after my death. Also I witt to the thre houses of freers in Scarborowghe and to every house of theme there vj s. viij d., and in lykwyse I witt to the Awstyne freers in Yorke vj s. viij d., and in lykwyse I wit to the house of the Obseruauntes in Newcastle xiij s. iiij d. Also I give to my brother Herrye Ewrye all my landes and tenementes in Bawderesdale in the countie of Yorke for the terme of his lif, the remaignedre therof after his decease to my right heires for ever. Also I will that my sister Anne Ewrye shall have landes of the cleare yerely valowe of vj li. xiij s. iiij d. for terme of her lif; and I will that my two other brethren, John Ewyre and Ewstace Ewyre or eyther of theme, for terme of eyther of there lyves shall have by the discretion of my sonne Sir William Ewyre, knyght, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. by yeare of such landes as he will assigne to theme. And over that I will that whereas certayne feoffies standen feoffed of and in certayne manners, landes and tenementtes of the clere yerlie valowe of an hundrethe markys sterling by yere to and for the use of Dame Agnes, my wif, for terme of hir lif, and also of other landes of the yerely valowe of an other hundreth markes by yere to and for the perfourmance of this my last will, as more playnly appereth by an indenture of covenaunttes of marriage maid betwixt William Lord Willowghby and me, that the said feoffees shall stand and be still therof seased to and for the forsaid uses, and that they and every of theme shall suffre my said wif peaceblye to enjoie, have, holde and occupie all my maners with all there appurtenaunces in Stokesley, Inglebye, Eysebye and Kyrkby in Clevelande, and in Barlebye next Selbye, in the countie of Yorke, for terme of lif to the somme of the forsaid hundreth markes and noo more, the remaignedre therof after hir decease to the use of my right heires for ever. Also I will to my said wif an hundreth pounde sterlinge for to be receyved of the other landes so putt in feoffment for the payment of dettes. Also I witt to myne executors the somme of an hundreth markes for to expende the day of my buriall, and it for to be receyved and taken of the forsaid landes. Also I wit to Mariorye my doughter the somme of fourttie poundes sterling for to be levyed of the forsaid landes; and moreover I wit to my wif all my sillver plaite; and also to my wif and my sonne, Sir William Ewrye, knyght, all my housholde stuff and the goodes at Aton and Malton equally for to be divided betwixt theme with all my other goodes;

and also I will that all my officeres, boith receyvers and balifes, be clerely discharged for and of there accowmptes of and for all and every some accowmpted before the day of my death, excepte John Ogle. Also I maike Dame Agnes my wif and my son Sir William Ewerye, knight, myn executors to dispose for my soull as thei shall thinke good. Thes being witnesses, Edward Gower, knyght, William Hungaite the yonger, esquier, Francis Salvan, knyght, Thomas Bradley, clerke.

[Proved 18 Dec. 1551.]

CLI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM, LORD EURE.

[Reg. Test. xiia, 2.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxv^tie^ daye of Februare, 1548, I, William Eure, knyght, Lorde Eure,* hole of mynde and perfite memorye, because this worlde is trancytorie and moveable, and for because I woolde have all my children, freyndes and servauntes in charotye, and I not to be moved nor stired in mynd with anye wordlye businesse or matters of my owne, and yf it shall pleas Almyghtie God to visite me with anye syknes, but to have my hart hollie unto his diete, declareth my will in manour and forme followynge. Furste I bequethe my soule to Almyghtie God, the maker of heaven, and to Jesu Christe, the secound persone in Trinyte, my redeamour, our blissed ladie Saynte Marie, and to all the hollie company of heaven, my bodie to be buried in suche place as God Almyghtie shall pleas to call me unto his mercye, with the mortuarie due unto the churche, with suche obsequies and funerall expenses as shall and ought to apperteine to be done for a barron after the custome of Englande by the sight of myn executours and supervisours. Also I yeve and bequeth to my (*grand*) sone William Eure, sone of Sir Raufe Eure, who by the grace of God shall be my heire when he shall or haithe sued fourth his leverye and come to full age, on hundreth poundes, if that he stand and suffer this my will to be perfourmed. Also I will that my sone Henrye Eure after my deathe shall have all that my landes and lordship of Yockeflete in the countie of Yorke during his life naturall. Also I will that my said sone Henrye Eure shall have, hoolde and occupye that my manour and lordshype of Wytton and

* Son of Sir Ralph Eure, whose will has just been given. He was created Lord Eure of Witton 24 Feb., 35 Hen. VIII, 1544. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Christopher, Lord Willoughby D'Eresby, and died 15 March, 2 Edw. VI, as by *Inquisition* taken 18 May, 3 Edw. VI. His son Sir Ralph, who defended Scarborough Castle at the time of the Pilgrimage of Grace, was killed at the battle of Ancram Moor, so he was succeeded by his grandson William second Lord Eure.

Hamsterley with the demaynes and profites to the same belonginge within the countye and busshoppryche of Duresme for the terme and space of sexe yeares, yeilding and paying therfore yerlye to my haires the rentes dew and accustomed, that ys to saye, lxiij li. by even porcions at too tymes in the yeare there accustomed. Also I will to my said sone Henrie all that my interest of suche fermeholdes as I have at this present daye, that ys to saie the fermhold of Rutefowrd, and one other fermhold in Wardaill called Kellope and Wellope, during the terme affore mencioned, paying therfore to the right honorable Cughbert, bisshope of Duresme, and his sucessors the rente accustomed, provided alwaies that if my haires at his or there comynge to full age and housses kepinge being desierous to have all the premisses before mencioned within the said countie, onlye that upon one yeare warnyng therof yeven to my said sone Henrye be my haires he lovinglye to departe frome the said premisses within the countie of Duresme withoute anye further disturbaunce. Also I will that my executor after my deathe do kepe houshold for one yere after my deathe with my servauntes, geving to every of them one annuell rente or wage for one yeare after my deathe accordinge as I hertofore have used to geve of intente to helpe theme therwith in gettinge ther other maisters. Also I will to every of my sone Sir Raufe childreyne as folowith, that is to saie, to Rauf Eure and Thomas Eure, aither of theym v li. yerlye forthe of my landes duringe ther lifes naturall, and payeable yerlye at the feastes of Penticoste and Sainte Martyne in winter by even porcons; and to every of my said sone Sir Rauf doughters the some of one hundreth markes towardes ther mariges yf thei be rewellid and gided by my executor and ther brother William in ther marriages. And also I give to the afforsaid Rauf Eure and Thomas Eure, aither of theim one hundreth markes, and they to be ordred by my said executor. Also I yeve to the ij children of William Bouckton had by my doughter, aither of them xl s. yerlie forthe of my said landes during ther lifes naturall, paiable at the feastes afforsaid. Also I yeve to my auncient servaunt William Bucketon thelder for the trew and faithfull cervice he haithe done unto me and shall do, one annuitie or annuell rente of xiij li. vj s. viij d. forthe of all my landes duringe his lif, paiable at Whitsondaye and Marteynmas by even porcons. Also I geve to my sone Henrye, whome I make my sole executor with Godes blissing and myne, all my goodes moveable and unmoveable, which I shall have at the houre of my death not bequested nor legaced, he to dispose for the health of my sowle as he will aunswer for at the syght and

counsall of my servauntes Robert Lacie, John Bednell, and William Buckton thelder, whome I have ordenyd supervisors. Also I will, geve and bequethe the two partes of all my landes not bequested nor legaced in thre partes to be devided to my said executor for the space of v yeres after my deathe, and he to have and receave the same doring the said yeres for the perfourmance of my legaces and payment of my dettes. Also I will that my legaces to Rauf Eure, Thomas Eure, William Buckton thelder be taken by them of my manour and lordshipp of Aiton within the countye of Yorke and of that my manour of Witton and Hamesterley. Also I will that every of my said supervisors shall have for that theire paines, counsaill and seing of this my will performed the some of thre poundes. Also I will to William Counstable and Fraunces Counstable his sone for theire good and faithfull cervice to me done and herafter to be done to me and my heires, the offices of keping all the courtes of my olde inheritance within the countie of Yorke, the bisshopriche of Duresme and Northumberland, and also the resaite of all the said landes, and the balliwyke of Barllebye wythe the fees accustomed, that is to saie, the kepinge of the courtes iij li. by yere, for the receavershipe iij li. vj s. viij d., and for thoffice of Barlebye xl s. Also I yeve to Rauf Yoward thoffice of the balliwike of Stockeley wyth the members and the fees accustomed. Also I will that Rouland Madsone have his fermeholde in Ersbye for the rent, painge like as he haith hadde before. In wytnes herof I have putto my seale the daye and yeare above writen. Theis beyng witnesses, Rauf Buckton, Thomas Grene, Cleymet Pearsone, William Thomson, Xpofer Dente, Jarad Stocall.

CLII. THE WILL OF THOMAS FAIRFAX, OF FINNINGLEY, SERJANT AT LAW.

[Reg. Test. xii. 8.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vij day of Septembre, 1544, I, Thomas Farefaxe,* seriante at the lawe, holl of mynde and understandinge, thankes be to God, do ordan and make my testament. First I bequeith my soull to Almightie God, creator and redemer of the worlde, to the most blissed virgyne

* Second son of Sir Guy Fairfax and Isabel, daughter of Sir William Rther, a Sergeant at Law and member of the Council of the North. Married Cecily, daughter of Sir Robert Manners, knight. His son Guy, of Finningley, died in his lifetime, having married Catherine, daughter of Sir William Bassett. Their daughter and heiress, Katherine, is said to have married George, son of Thomas Fairfax, of Walton. If so, her brothers William and Thomas, grandsons of the testator, mentioned in the will, must have died issueless.

Marie mother of God, oure savior Jesu Christe, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in Christien buriall, to be done by the discression of my executours. Also I bequeith to the highe altare of Fynyngley for my tithes forgotten or necligentelie withdrawne xx d. Also I bequeith to the parishioners of the parishe of Fynyngley a cope of grene damaske to thuse of ther churche. Also I will that my dettes be trulie contented and paide, and to and for the true payment of my saide dettes I will that imediatelie after my death all my rentes, fermes, ishues and proffettes comynge and grovinge of and in all my landes in Kirkegarthforde, Westgarthforde, Garthforde Morehouses, Swillington, Lutterton besides Aberforde, and Tikehill in the countie of Yorke, and of and in one meise or tenement with thappurtenaunces in Gregorie layne in the citie of Yorke, excepte and forpresed one mesuagie or tenement, and all those my landes in Kirke Garthforde nowe in thoccupacon of Thomas Yngle of the clere yerlie value of x s., one mesuagie in Kirke Garthforde nowe in the occupacon of William Hodgeson of the clere yerlie value of viij s., and one mesuagie and all those my landes in West Garthforde nowe in thoccupacon of Robert Peas to and of the clere yerlie value of lviij s. viij d., shalbe receyved yerlie by my trustie frende and cousinge John Swynhowe of Wadworth, gentleman, and by William Moote, my servaunte, joinctlie or severally, and with the saide rentes and fermes after my death as the same will extende unto to content and pay my dettes yerlie willinge, and desiringe the same Swynhowe and Moote to take opon them the receptes of the rentes and therwith to paye my dettes, and I will that the saide Swynhowe and Moote shalbe allowed of the saide rentes reasonable for ther costes in the same, takinge acquietance of my creditors from tyme to tyme. And imediatelie after the saide dettes be fully contented I will that my welbeloved wif Cecilie, doughter to Sir Robert Manours, knyght, shall have all my saide landes except befor excepted, and also shall have my manner of Fynyngley with a tofte wheropon the saide maner placie is sett and buylded with the buyldynges sett opon the said tofte, a close by me latelie inclosed with a paile called the orcharde, one other close called the nether orcharde or pounde garthe, a close called Gulcrofte and the Wroithie Crofte with the ynges or medues therunto adionynge, a parcell of grounde inclosed callid the Mose, fyve acres of arable lande in Fynyngley, which I latelie purchasede of John Mare, the revercion of a tofte and crofte wheropon a meise is beilded called the Eshe Crofte, with a close called the Lynge crofte,

which meise, croft and close called the Eshe Crofte and Lynge Crofte, Sir Thomas Lemynge, vicare of Canteley, and Elisabeth his suster hath by indenture for terme of xx yeres of the demise of me and of Guy Farefaxe my sone, late decessed, yeldinge onelie a rede rose or a penny yerlie for the same. Also I will that the saide Cecilie my wif shall have fyve closes in Stokdale, in the countie of Yorke, that is to say, a close called Peretre, one other close called Lyng Close, one other called the Over Stokwell, a nother called the Nether Stokwell, and an other called the Stokwell Hirst alias Georgie Hirst, and all other my landes in Stokwell, to have the same to the said Cecilie my wif for terme of her lif for and in the name of and recompence of the thirdes and dower of the saide Cecilie, which said mannour and all the landes do not extende above the clere yerlie value of towe partes of all my landes in thre partes devyded. Also I will that imediatelie after the decease of the saide Cecilie and after my dettes be trulie paide that William Farefaxe, sone and here to the saide Guy my sone, decessed, shall have the saide mannour to hyme and to his heres males of his bodie lawfullie begotten, and for defalte of suche ishue to Thomas brother of the saide William, and for defalte of suche ishue to remayne to the right heres of the saide Guy for ever. Also I will that the residue of all my landes imediatelie after my deathe shall discende and come in fee symple to the right heres of me accordinge to the statute concernynge willes of landes latelie ordaned. Also I bequeth to my wif my ij fermes of Thurneham Hall and Wadworthe so that she pay the rentes and fermes therof to theme that ought to have the same at the days payable, and all other my goodes and cattalles I give to myne executors, they to dispose the same for the welth of my soull, and I ordane the saide Cecilie my welbeloved wif, John Swynehowe and William Moote myne executors, and I bequeath unto Sir Richard Manors, knyght, my best geldinge that he will choise, and I desier Sir Richard Manors to be supervisor of this my will. Witnes, John Wilkynson, John Gale and Richard Peele.

[Proved 22 Dec. 1544.]

CLIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD BEAUMONT, OF KEXBOROUGH.

[Reg. Test. xii. 5].

In the name of God, Amen. The xx day of Septembre, 1544, I, Richarde Beamonde, of Kexburghe, in the parish of Darton, beinge of a goode memorath mynd, makes this my last will. The first I bequeath my soull unto the mercyfull handes of Almightie God and to the sufferage of holie church, and

Marie mother of God, oure savior Jesu Christe, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in Christien buriall, to be done by the discression of my executours. Also I bequeith to the highe altare of Fynyngley for my tithes forgotten or necligentelie withdrawne xx d. Also I bequeith to the parishioners of the parishe of Fynyngley a cope of grene damaske to thuse of ther churche. Also I will that my dettes be trulie contented and paide, and to and for the true payment of my saide dettes I will that imediatelie after my death all my rentes, fermes, ishues and proffettes comynge and grovinge of and in all my landes in Kirkegarthforde, Westgarthforde, Garthforde Morehouses, Swillington, Lutterton besides Aberforde, and Tikehill in the countie of Yorke, and of and in one meise or tenement with thappurtenaunces in Gregorie layne in the citie of Yorke, excepte and forpresed one mesuagie or tenement, and all those my landes in Kirke Garthforde nowe in thoccupacon of Thomas Yngle of the clere yerlie value of x s., one mesuagie in Kirke Garthforde nowe in the occupacon of William Hodgeson of the clere yerlie value of viij s., and one mesuagie and all those my landes in West Garthforde nowe in thoccupacon of Robert Peas to and of the clere yerlie value of lviij s. viij d., shalbe receyved yerlie by my trustie frende and cousinge John Swynhowe of Wadworth, gentleman, and by William Moote, my servaunte, joinctlie or severally, and with the saide rentes and fermes after my death as the same will extende unto to content and pay my dettes yerlie willinge, and desiringe the same Swynhowe and Moote to take opon them the receptes of the rentes and therwith to paye my dettes, and I will that the saide Swynhowe and Moote shalbe allowed of the saide rentes reasonable for ther costes in the same, takinge acquietance of my creditors from tyme to tyme. And imediatelie after the saide dettes be fully contented I will that my welbeloved wif Cecilie, doughter to Sir Robert Manours, knyght, shall have all my saide landes except befor excepted, and also shall have my manner of Fynyngley with a tofte wheropon the saide maner placie is sett and buylded with the buyldynges sett opon the said tofte, a close by me latelie inclosed with a paile called the orcharde, one other close called the nether orcharde or pounde garthe, a close called Gulcrofte and the Wroithie Crofte with the ynges or medues therunto adionynge, a parcell of grounde inclosed callid the Mose, fyve acres of arable lande in Fynyngley, which I latelie purchasede of John Mare, the revercion of a tofte and crofte wheropon a meise is beilded called the Eshe Crofte, with a close called the Lynge crofte,

Grene my wyffe shall pay to Thomas Exylbye the yonger and Elezabethe my doughter the day of setting up of theyre house iij li. vj s. viij d. Item I will that my wyffe have a close callyd Hyghe House Close ynge ground for terme of xiiij yeres. Item I will that myne executors shall apparell Xpofer Marton, son and heyre apparent of Launcelote Marton, and Margarete Grene, my doughter, at the day of solempnizacon of the mariage had betwixt theym, and also bere the costes of the dynner to be had the same day. Item I wyll that my wyff shall have ij closes yng grounde lyeinge at thest eynd of Baldreby Brome for xiiij yeres, and a close called Launce Close ynge ground for fourtene yeres to thentent she shall yerelie of the yssues paie to William Hawe, prest, my chaplen, xl s. yerely during the xiiij yeres, and at the ende I will that the sayd William Hawe shall have xl s. goyinge forthe of the closes for terme of his lyffe, so that the said William Hawe be dalye attendaunt and say divine service in my house at Newbye. Item yf Elynour, Katheryn, Elezabeth, and Margarete Grene, my doughters, do clayme by action in any of the kynges maiesties courtes any chyldes portion of my goodes I will my bequest shalbe utterlie voyde. (21) Item where I have by my dede graunted to my son Rychard Grene one annuytie of fyve markes, goyng furthe of my landes in Catton and Borowebrige, and to my son John Grene one annuytie of fyve markes of my landes in Crakall, to my son Thomas one annual rent of fyve markes of my landes in Syndrebye, Maunby, Catton, Topclyffe and Raynton, to my son Xpofer fyve markes of my landes in Dysford and Skypton, I wyll that (they) enjoye the rent duryng (ther lyffes). Item if Richard, John, Thomas and Xpofer Grene my sonnes clayme any childes portion I will my bequest shall be voyd. Item wher I have graunted to William Pulleyn my servaunt an annuytie of xxvj s. viijd., goyng furthe of a tenement in Topclyffe callyd Mootehouse, I will he enioye it duryng his lyffe, and Edward Walles my servant shall have after the dycease of William the rent. I bequythe to my son Henry Grene viij oxen, sex kye, four horses and mayres and xx yowes. I give all my interest in the tythe of Topclyffe to Rychard and John Grene my sonnes, and in the tythe of Balderbye to my son Henry. I give to my brother Marmaduke Wyvell a yong gray geldyng trottyng, to my cosyng William Tankerd my yonge daple gray geldyng rackyng and trottyng, to Henry, Rychard, John, Thomas, Xpofer Grene my sonnes a horse or a stagge. I wyll at the day of my buryall every preist saying or syngyng divine servyce in Topclyffe churche

shall have xij d., and every scholer a penny. I make Dorothie my wyff, Edward, Henry, Rychard, John, Thomas, and Xpofer my sonnes my executors, and I wyll most hartelie the ryght worshopfull my brother in lawe Sir Roger Lassels, knyght, my bretheren, Rychard Norton, Marmaduke Wyvell, and Wylliam Tankard, esquyers, to be supervisors.

[No date of probate.]

CLV. THE WILL OF SIR RICHARD HOLLAND, OF DENTON, IN LANCASHIRE, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xiia, 10.]

March 27, 2 Edward vi (1547–8). Richard Holland,* of Denton, wythin the countye of Lancaster, knyght. I will that xij li. of money be bestowed and distributed among poore people by the discrecon of myne executours w^t^in this thre yeares next ensuynge after my deceasse. To my sonne and heare, Edward Holland, all my howsold stuff remaynyng at my howse of Denton, that ys to saye, a^ll^ betstokes, formes, stoles, chayres, syx quysshions yt wer his mothers, and all vessels and instrumentes belonging to my browhouse, my bakhouse, deyhouse, kilnhouse and malthouse, and all instrumentes belonging to my kitching, lardhouse ther, as pottes, pannes and all pewter vessall, branches, gawbyrons, and all other as well as yf I showld rehearse theym by names. Item all manour of stuff pertening to the buttrye ther, as a sylver salte w^t^ a kyver, eyght sylver spons, a great voyder w^t^ the bassen and ewre, and all others therto dependynge; also all maner of loomes and instrumentes parteyning to the hakehouse ther. Also a baye of otes at Denton and ten kyne wythe ther calves and a bull, vj oxen, vj styrkes, vj twynters, vj swine wyth a boore, and my best stoned horse. Also I give and bequethe my cheane of gold, the one half to my said sonne, Edward, and the other half to my wyfes sonne, Thomas Percye. To my sonne, Edward, all the tymber lyinge at Denton or Marple, framed or to be framed ther; also the hanginges of the hall ther at Denton, two fether beddes wythe coverlettes, blankettes, shetes, boylsters, pilloes (10*b*) with pillokes, the testours and the selours therto belonginge, and two of my best bedcoverynges. Also I wyll that my thre bastard sonnes, Henrye, William and Richard, and everye of

* Son of Thurstan Holland, of Denton, and Joan, daughter of John Arderne, of Alvanley, in Cheshire. He married (1) Anne, daughter of John Fitton, of Gawsworth, by whom he had three sons, Edward, Richard and Randle; (2) Eleanor, daughter of Sir Edward Harbottle, of Beamish, co. Durham, and relict of Sir Thomas Percy.

theim, have an annuall rent of xxvj s. and eyght pence by yeare for terme of their lyves, to be takin owt of landes and tenementes, as doythe appere by their severall deddes. Also I geve to everye of my servauntes nowe beyng in wages wythe me one quarters wages afforhand, to praye for my sowle. Item I will that my wyf geve meat, drinke and clothinge to myne olde servaunt, Henrie Cloughe, so longe as they lyve to gether. Item I will that my wyf bring up my two bastard sonnes, William and Richard, till they be seventeyne yeares of age, or hable for theym selves, yf they wyll so longe tarie wythe hir, and God so long send hir lyfe, takine they rentes of ther annuytes towardes theyr findynges. Item I geve my damaske gowne to make too vestmentes of, the one to remayne at Denton, and th'other at Heytone. Also I will that any of my feoffes, now beyng seased of cearteyn landes of my lordshipe of Kenyon, Lawton and Wygam, or els myne executours or their assygnes, shall take and receyve yearlye for the space of tenn yeares next ensuyng my decease xx li. a yeare, untill the holle summe of two hundreathe poundes stearlinge be hadd and runne up owt of suche landes and tenementes, as shall apper by my dede of gyft beringe date the twentie daye of Marche last past. Of the wyche two hundrethe poundes I will that two hundrethe markes therof shall goe to the mariage or preferment of my doughter, Marye Holland, and the other hundrethe markes, resydew of the said two hundreth poundes, I wyll that yt goe towardes the pament of my debtes. Also I yeve to my yongest sonne, Richard Holland, landes and tenementes, liyng and beynge wythin Wordles and Keneon afforsaid, of the yearlye value of thre poundes, syxe shilinges, and eyght pence, as apperethe by a dede of gyft to him made, and geven to the feoffes to his use for terme of his lyf, and the remaynder therof to my ryght heires for ever. To dame Elanour, my wyf, the take of the tythe corne off Kenyon wyche I have taken of Gonther Leyghe, gentilman, new proctor and fermour of the churche of Wynwyke. Also I will that Adom Wallewarke, my servaunt, have the howse that Richard Dicconson doythe now dwell in ymediatlye (11) after the decease of the said Richard and his wyf, or els to be restored agayne to the howse yt was his fathers, for his rent painge yearlye. To dame Elanour, my wyf, the resydew of all my goodes, movable and unmovable, towardes hir charges and bringinge upp of hir childern and myne. Item I wyll and bequethe a lytle cheane of goold to my donghter in lawe, Marie Percye, the wyche she haythe nowe alredye in hir handes. Item I yeve to my son in lawe, Henrye Percye, my baye geldinge.

To my brother, Rauf Holland, my russell worsted gowne, as yt ys, my satten dowblet, a grey geldinge, and my stuf jerkine. To my brother, George Warren, foure markes to be delyvered to him in money, and my damaske dowblet, in recompence of all suche thinges that I have hadd of his. To my cosine, Thomas Grynehaughe, and his bedfellowe, two kie and two hekefordes wyth calves, to be delivered to them affore mydsomer next. Of this my last will and testament I ordayne, constitute and make dame Elanour Percye, my wyf, Sir John Buron, knyght, and Thomas Percye, gent., my trew and lawfull executours and ministers, and for their paynes takinge in that behalf I will that everye of theim have xx s. sterlinge. Also I ordayne, constitute and make the ryght honorable Edward Standley, erle of Derby, and the ryght honorable dame Margett, countyse of the same, yf yt shall please theim of ther singler goodnes, to be supervisours of this my last will and testament, having no doubt but they one ther gentilnes will se yt performed. Thes wytnesses, John Ardern of Haredin, esquier, John Redyche of Redyche, esquier, Edwarde Holland, gentilman, Randull Warren, gentilman, and divers other.

[Proved 1548–9.]

CLVI. THE WILL OF ROBERT BRACKENBURY, OF LANGTON, IN DURHAM.

[Reg. Test. xii*a*, 14*d*.]

Aug. 12, 1548. Robert Brakenberie,* of Langtown, wythin the paryshe of Gainforthe. My writched and sinfull bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Gainforthe besides my father, wyth my mortuarie and oblacons dew and accustomed. To the highe alter in Gainforthe Churche to worchipp the blissed sacrament wyth all iij s. iiij d., and other iij s. iiij d. to the churche workes ther; and to the highe alter within the parishe churche off S(t)androppe to worshipp the blissed sacrament wythall xx d. To my son, John Brakenberie, towarde his exhibition, vj li. xiij s. iiijd. To my doughter Elesabeth v markes. To my servaunt William Tilbarn a whie stirke, and to Thomas Sigeswyke a gimmer lambe. The rest of my goodes I gyve to Margaret my wyf, Frances Brakenberie, John, Thomas, William, Robert, George, Oswein, Elesabeth, Dorothe, Graise and Florrance,

* An unnoticed member of the family of Brackenbury, of Selaby, in Durham. Anthony, the head of the family, is mentioned. His *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken in 1556, when his granddaughters were his heirs (Dep. Keeper of Public Records Reports, xliv, 336).

my children, whome I make my wyff and childern above named my executours of this my last wyll and testament. And in caise Margaret my wyf leif and kepe hir soile and bringe up hir yonge childer, she to be in trist as ys abovesaid; and yf not, that she go to the worlde and take a husband, she to have nothinge but that that right wyll she have, and then all my childer above written to be myne executours, and then thei and their partes to be put to my friendes. And I will and require Anthonie Brakenberie, Lancelot Nevell, esquers, Martin Brakenberie, gentilman, and Sir John Betson, clarke, as my trist is in theim to se this my last will and testament trewley performed, and thei and every of theim to have for their pains a angill noble in gold. In witnesse of this, Lancelot Nevell, esquer, Sir Christofer Robinson, clarke, Sir Peter Carter, clarke, wyth other mo, as William Dowthwayte.

[Proved 1548–9.]

CLVII. THE WILL OF SIR EDWARD FYTON, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xii*a*, 1*d*.]

Feb. 9, 2 Edward vi (1548-9), I, Edward Fyton, knyght, being of perfite mynd and remembrance, consyderinge the fragilite and mutabilite of this presente liffe, and y^{t} everye man is naturallye bound to die, and that every mannes lif shalbe determined by dethe, dowbting the tyme therof, make my will and testament as folowith. Firste I bequethe my sowle unto Almyghtie God, wch haith ye same redemyd by his most precious and painfull passion, trustinge faithfullye by the merites of the same of remission of my sines and to be one of the everlastinge liff. I will my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Gawsworth, wher my father and other my auncestours doe lie. Unto Edward, my sone and heire apparant, and if he dye before me, then to whosoever shalbe my heire (2) apparaunt, my best chayne, all my silver plate, gylte, partlye gilt, or not gilt; also xx^{ti} oxen, xx^{ti} kye, xij yong beastes of two yeres age, y^{t} is to wit, vj bullockes and vj heffers; also xij styrkes, vj of thre yeres age, ye other vj of foure yeres age, xij calves, y^{t} is to wit of ether sorte vj, cc shepe yowes, xij fetherbeddes, xij mattrasses, xxiiij blanketes, xxiiij coverlettes, vj paier of flaxen shetes, vj paier of canvas shetes, xij boolsters, xij pillowes, thre counterpoyntes, two garnyshe of pother vessell, foure waynes, thre plowes, and asmuche stuff and thinges of husbandrie as shalbe mete to serve thre teames. And all these thinges and premisses I leave unto my said heire

apparant to be heire lomes. And I will, advertise and exorte my said sone to leave to his sone, or whosoever shalbe his heire and owner of my manour of Gawsworth, the forseydes joyels, plate, goodes and cattelles, or asmuche in substaunce and value, as herelomes, and so to contenue frome heire to heire, as the land shall discend, wherby aswell my said sone and heire apparaunt, as all others of my blode, whiche shalbe heyres and owners of Gawsworth, maye be more able to kepe good hospitalitye and mayntayne ther housholdes. Unto my sone Edwarde my leases, fermes and terme which I have of ceartean grondes, called Wilbour Cloughe and Macclesfielde Parke. Unto my said sone Edward all myne apparell. To Sir William Fitton, chapleyn, the reversion of one yerelye rente of xxv s. goyng owt of one tenement of myne in Alderlaye, now in th'occupation of Edward Falowes and Rondulphe Falowes. To have to him duringe and for the lyffe naturall of the said William, accordynge to the true meanyng of a bill indented, made betwyxt me and the reves of the chapell of Sidyngton, as by the same pleynlye apperethe. Unto my moste enterlie beloved wif, Marie, all and everye other my goodes, tythes and catalles, my funerall charges and expenses borne off the same. I will that my said wyf and myne executours shall have the custodie, governaunce and rule of my children and of ther landes and goodes unto suche tyme as they shall come to and be of lawfull age, and wt proffetes and revenues therof shall finde theim at learninge, some at grammer scole, some at universyte, and some at Innes of Courte, as they shalbe apt to procede. I wyll yt my said wyf shall have the governaunce and ordre of my sone in lawes and ther landes, during and by all suche tyme as myne interest shall contenue. Unto mye doughter Marie towardes her mariage thre hundreth markes, wherof I will that asmuche monye as Sir Peter Werbton,* knyght, ownt me the tyme of my decease, shalbe as parte and parcell of the said ccc markes, and the residue to be had, taken and receyved of the rentes, issues and proffittes of my landes and tenementes in Sidington (which) be of the yerlye rent of xvij li. xviij s. x d. I will also yt all . . . . some or somes of money as I shall owe for the mariage . . . . . (2d) doughters being maried, and the money not fullye payed the tyme of my decease, shalbe had, taken and receyved of the rentes and proffytes of so much of the two partes of my landes and tenementes in thre partes to be devidet, as shal yerlye amount to the

* Wrongly written for Warburton.

clere value of xxij li. xiiij d., accordynge to the kynges moste honorable statute, by whiche estatute I and all other the kynges subjectes have libertie to declare our wills for the payment of debtes or otherwyse, as in ye same estatute more pleynlie appereth. Also I will that the residue of the said twoo partes in thre partes devidet, as is afforsaid, shall paye all oder my debtes, and that myne executours wyth the rentes and proffytes therof to paye my hole debtes fullye to everye man, that I shalbe indebted unto. I orden and make myn executours of this my laste will my said moste enterlye beloved wyffe, Marye, Richard Maynwaring, Hughe Willoughbye, knyghtes, Fraunches Chorleton and William Moreton, esquiers, and Otuwell Shalerosse (*sic*). Also I make and humblye desire the right honorable lorde Edward, the erle off Darbye, my lord and master, and my hartie beloved brother in lawe, Edward Warren, knyght, overseers of this my last will. Witnesses, William Fyton, gent., Robert Maynwarringe and Nicholas Whelocke, clerke. I will and bequeth to the said erle of Derbye, my lorde and master, my gowsehawke and my horse.

[Proved 1548–9.]

CLVIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM ELISTONN, SUB-DEAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. xii*a*, 15.]

(No date.) William Eliston,* clerke, sub-deane of the metripolitane churche of Yorke. My bodie to be buried within the said metripolitaine churche of Yorke before the alter of Saint Frideswyke, nyghe unto the sepulture or grave of Mr. Doctour Peirson, lat sub-deane of the said churche, in case yt shall please God to call me to his mercye ther. And yf yt shall please God to take me to his mercye at Beverley, then I will be buried before the alter of saint James w^tin the college churche of Beverley, gevinge to the workes of saint Peters or saint John for my buriall as the custome therof doithe require. To the college of sainte Mychaell in Chambrege v li. yf my goodes will extend therunto. Also I will imediatlye after my deathe myne executours cause to be paied to Mr. Doctoure Knolles, in case yt shall please God that he doo survive me, twentye markes for the cleare discharge of my pensyone, and my executours to take th'obligacon into ther handes whiche he haythe of the howse of Maltonn, and to deliver to him then

* According to Le Neve (*Fasti* (ed. Hardy), iii, 130), William Clifton, a misreading for Eliston, was sub-dean of York from May, 1529, till his death in 1548.

his obligaconn. Also I bequeath to everye one of my servauntes, being in my service at the tyme of my deathe, his hole yere wages. Over this in case I do write herafter w^t^ myne owne handes in one codicille thinges to be done for the welthe and healthe of my sowle, I will theim to be performed by myne executours as though the(y) were writen w^t^in this my testament and last will. The resydewe I will ther shalbe disposed by Mr. Doctour Downes, chauncelour of the said metripolitane churche, John Tindayll, my nevew, Sir Nycholes Hugard, chamberlane of the college churche of Beverlaye, and Sir John Corney, one of the persons of the said metripolitane churche of Yorke, whom I make and ordeine of this my testament and last will myne executours, to dispose as they shall thinke most expedient for the welthe of my sowle. To Mr. Chansler for his paines to be taken my scarlet gowne w^t^ ane hoode. (*Rest wanting.*)

CLIX. THE WILL OF RALPH CLAXTON, OF WINYARD, IN CO. DURHAM, ESQUIRE.

[Reg. Test. xiia, 35*d.*]

Auguste x^th^, in the yeare of our Lord, 1549, I, Rauff Claxton,* of Wineyard, within the countye of Duresme, esquier, of hoole mynd and perfett remembrance, fearinge deathe, providing for my sowell healthe, makethe my will of testament as folowithe. Firste I geve frely my sowle to Almyghtye God, beseching our Ladye Saint Mary and all the companye of heaven to praye for me. And I will my bodye to be buried within the paroche churche of Brancepathe where my father and mother was buryed. Unto the whiche churche I geve and bequethe x s. to the churche workes for my lair stall. Also I will that my brother in law, Rychard (36) Hebborne, my sonne, John Billingham, my brother, William Claxtone, and my cosing, Edward Tedsforthe, shall have the ordre and occupacon of theise groundes folowinge, that ys to saye, one closse called Elders, one close called Botten, one close called Litill Brigg flatt, one close called the Oxe close, and the Garthe close, and one close called Smythe closse, for the space and terme of foure yeres next folowyng after my deathe, to and for th'use and maryage of my twoo doughters, Anne Claxton and Elsabethe. Also I will that

* Eldest son of Ralph Claxton, and Sybil, daughter and heiress of William Conyers, of Wynyard. The testator's *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken in 1549, when William Claxton, his son and heir, was aged 19. (Dep. Keeper of Public Records Reports, xlvi, 359.) He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Hebborn, of Hardwick. His daughter Alice married John Billingham, of Crookhall, near Durham, often called above Belingham.

Elsabethe Claxton, my wiff, have the rewle, governaunce and ordre of my said twoo dowghters, Anne and Elsabeth, and of ayther of theim, and of all ther partes and porcons to them and ayther of theim belonging after my deathe of and upon all my goodes and catalls, unto suche tyme as they and ayther of them shalbe severallye maried or come to ther full age, yf she so long lyve and kepe her wydowe, and she induringe all the said terme to kepe and find them and ayther of theim meate, drinke and apparell, convenient and mete for ther degres, of and upon the profet and increase of the same goodes. To the right honourable and my singuler good lorde Henrye, th'erle of Westmerland, my best gelding. To my sonne, William, one sygnet of gold, one baye bawsand stoode maire and hir foole, my damaske gowne, my velvet jaket, and a velvet dowblet. To my sone, John Claxtone, xx li., and I will that my sonne, John Belingham have the rewle of him and his porcon to suche tyme as he cume to laufull age. And yf yt fortune the said John Claxton to dye before he cume to lawful age, that then I will my said sone, John Belingham, shall paye the said some of xx li., to his (sone) Rawf Belingham x li., and to his sone Richard Belingham x li. (36*d*). To Rauf Belingham my greate gold rynge and a silver cuppe wth a coverynge. To his brother, Richard Belingham, one qwye. To Jane Hebborne one whye. To Anthonye Hebborne and Henry Hebborne, to aither of theim, one yering stotte. Also to everye one of my said brother, Richard Hebborne, dowghters, one yering whye. To my suster, Isabell, my blacke nagg. To Edward Andersone my baye nagg that I bowght of Cuthbert Claxton. To my sustre Isabell sones, to ayther of theim, one yering stotte, and to hir dowghter one yering whie. To Peter Ridall my bald horse, and to his thre sonnes thre yering stottes, and to his dowghter one yering whie. To my brother, Cuthbert Claxton, one yeringe whye. To my brother, John Claxton, one yering whie. To Luce Cowlye one whye with calf. To William Nesham the bay nag y^{t} he rydes upon and xx s. To Henrye Wilkinson one stotte of twoo yeres old. To Rauf Storye one blacke maire that Wilkinson rides upon. To my doughter, Alice Billingham, one yering whie. To my suster, Ellin Hall, one yering whye. To my mother, Ellin Erington, one yering whye. The residewe to Elsabethe Claxton, my wyf, and to my dowghters, Alice Billingham, Anne Claxton and Elsabethe Claxton, whome I make my full executrices. And I hertelye desire my foresaid brother, Richard Hebborne, my sone in lawe, John Belingham, my

his obligaconn. Also I bequeath to ever[illegible] servauntes, being in my service at the tym[illegible] his hole yere wages. Over this in case I [illegible] w^t myne owne handes in one codicille thing[illegible] the welthe and healthe of my sowle, I [illegible] performed by myne executours as thoug[illegible] w^tin this my testament and last will. [illegible] ther shalbe disposed by Mr. Doctour [illegible] of the said metripolitane churche, Joh[illegible] Sir Nycholes Hugard, chamberlane of [illegible] Beverlaye, and Sir John Corney, on [illegible] said metripolitane churche of Y[illegible] ordeine of this my testament and [illegible] to dispose as they shall thinke m[illegible] of my sowle. To Mr. Chansler [illegible] my scarlet gowne w^t ane hoode.

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[illegible] ERINGHAM.

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CLIX. THE WILL OF RALPH [illegible]

CO. DURH[illegible]

[Reg. [illegible]

Auguste x^th, in the y[illegible] Claxton,* of Wineyard, [illegible] esquier, of hoole mynd [illegible] deathe, providing for my [illegible] testament as folowithe [illegible] Almyghtye God, bequ[illegible] the companye of he[illegible] bodye to be buried w[illegible] where my father and [illegible] churche I geve and [illegible] my lair stall. Also [illegible] (36) Hebborne, [illegible] William Claxton, [illegible] have the ordre [illegible] that ys to sayn[illegible] Botten, one close [illegible] Oxe close, and [illegible] closse, for the [illegible] after my dear[illegible] doughters, A[illegible]

[illegible] ...ne discretion ...ste churche. ...the said ...soul and all ...wreste of ...i, i. of the ...power prest ...he church of ...he universitie

* Eldest [illegible] ...n, knight, Conyers, of V[illegible] ...with his father, when Willi[illegible] ...shire, 1532, Records E[illegible] ...He married of Hardwi[illegible] ...ham, by whom Durham, o[illegible] ...also at York.

of Cambrige or Oxforde by the discression of my executors to singe or pray for my soull, my wiffes, my fader soull, and moder and all Christen soules. Item I give unto my sonne Robert all my housholde stuf and implementes of the same beinge and belonginge the house of Everyngham, a basyne with ewer of silver havinge myne armes and my wifes, a pare of standinge pottes marke with lions, the king of Skottes armes, to remayne as airlomes to his here after hyme. I give to my sone Willam my gilte chales, crewettes, pax and bell of silver and my tow gilte saltes. I give to my brother Sir William my . . . . boxe and to my broder John my litle gilte goblett, and to my doughter Everylde my ij silver goblettes, to my doughter Constable my standinge cuppe gilte with cover, she to leve it to Robert her sonne when God shall call here, to my cosyn Babthorpe my best gilte spone for a remembrance, and to my cosyn Langdall and my cosyn . . . . . either of theme a gilte spone. Item I will that my house be kepte a quarter of a yere after, and as many of my servauntes as will to tarrie and have mett and drinke in the same, and that every one of my said servauntes haive a holl yere wages after my deth and to be at ther liberties to go to service wher they will, and all the rest of my goodes, my dettes paide and this my will fulfilled, I give unto my sonne Robert towarde marriage of his doughters, whome with my sonne William, prebendarie of Wighton, I make and ordan to be my executors. My brother Sir William and my brother John and my cosyn William Babthorpe to be supervisors of the same and se that my said towe sonnes do fulfill this my saide will, and for ther labors I give every one of theme v li. and to my sonne William v li. for ther labors, and to have ther costes as ofte as they shall take payne aboute the same. Witnes of this my last will written with myne owne hande the yere and day above saide I have sett my hande and seale. Also I will that Hughe Hungate my servaunte and Isabell his wif and the longer liver of theme have the late dissolved house of Drax whiche I have of the kynge to me and myne heres for xxi yeres withall. . . . . Wher as opon a covenande maid betwixt Mr. Babthorpe of the one partie and my brother Sir William Constable and me of the other parte, for mariedge of William Husey and the doughter of the saide William Babthorpe, I have receyved and shulde receyve vij^{xx} li. to the use and preferment of the towe yonger sonnes of my nevewe Georgie Husey, brethren to the saide William Husey, and for the mariedge maide betwixte the saide Mr. Babthorpe his sonne and here and Barbaray, doughter to my sone Robert

Constable, I have covenanded to dischardge the saide Mr. William Babthorpe of the saide payment of vij^{xx} li., which I will to be taken of my goodes and cattalles to be paide to the saide yonger brethren as my dett to theme to be paide towarde ther preferment as beforsaide imediatelie after my deth, and if it be not paide before. Fordermore I have maide a lece of the manner of Drax to Hugh Hungate my servaunte, which lease I will shall stande in effecte provyded alway that for a close called Betsmansfelde solde to John Baxter beinge in the saide lease I will that he be discharged of the rente therof in his saide payment of l li. that he is covenanded by his said lese to be paid to me yerlie. Also I will unto Marmaduke Constable, sone of Sir Robert Constable, knyght, my sone and heire apparaunt, one rent charge of x li. yerlie to be taken owte of my manner in Westbroke in the countie of Lyncolne. Also I will to Robert Constable, one other sonne of my said sone Sir Robert, one rent charge of vi li. xiij s. iiij d. oute of my saide manner of Westbroke. Also to John Constable, one other sone of the said Sir Robert, one rent charge of vi li. xiij s. iiij d. Also to Michaell Constable, one other sone of the saide Sir Robert, one rent charge of vi li. xiij s. iiij d. Also to Georgie Constable, sone of the saide Sir Robert, one rent charge of vi li. xiij s. iiij d. to be taken yerlie duringe his lif oute of my landes in Drax in the tenure of Hughe Hungate. Witnesses hereof, William Constable, knyght, William Babthorpe, esquier, James Constable, esquier, Robert Constable, gentleman, Robert Hewet, prest, and John Maners, gentleman.

[Proved 9 Dec. 1545.]

CLXI. THE WILL OF THOMAS LEPTON, OF OVER SILTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 8.]

6 June, 1541. Thomas Lepton,* of Over Silton. I give my soull to God Almightie, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried within the quere of Oversilton Churche. To my curate, Sir William Barker, iij s. iiij d. to pray for me. I will that my sone Laurence shall have all my lande in Wigington, whiche is fyve marc in one yere, and I desier youe sone Christofer to seill unto hyme of all the land in Wigington, and to be goode brother unto hyme and to my yongest

* There is a pedigree of Lepton of Kepwick, which is in the parish of Over Silton, in Glover's *Visitation*, p. 214. It states that Thomas Lepton of Kepwick married Isabella Gower of Stainsby, but Felicie might have been a second wife. Christopher's will is at York, dated 1586.

doughter, Dianes, and to all other of youre susters, and I will that my wif, Felicie, and youe my sone Christofer, dispose all my goodes, and to bringe me forth honestlie, and also I make my wief Felicie and my yongest doughter Diones and youe my sone Christofer, my executors. In witnes, Sir William Barker, curate, Thomas Bewode, Thomas Smyth, with other.

[Proved 5 May, 1545.]

CLXII. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS JOHNSON, KNIGHT, OF LINDLEY.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 73.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxvj day of Septembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande fyve hundreth ffourtie and towe, I, Thomas Johnson,* of Lyndley, knight, callinge to my remembrance the uncertantie of lif, pourposinge not onelie to prepare and dispose my self to God for the welth of my soull, but also to dispose my goodes, with also my maners, landes, tents., revercions and servyces accordinge to the statute latelie maide. First I bequeithe my soull to Almightie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried within oure ladie quere of the church of Otley dedicated in the honore of Alhallos, if I deceise therin the parishe, and if I decease in any other place, then my sepulture to be at the discression of myne executors, and I bequeithe for my mortuarie as the lawe requireth. Also I bequeith to the high altare of Otteley for my tithes forgotten vj s. viij d. Also I will that myne executours do cause a stone to be laide upon me, an ymage of the Nativitie of oure Lorde sett opon the same, and an ymage of my self maide knelinge under with myne armes in foure corners of the same stone to be likewise sett for a remembrance. Also I will that Dame Isabell my wif shall have my manors of Lethley, Walton hede and Arowes opon the Wolde in the countie of Yorke, to have and to holde for terme of here lif naturall. Also I give to Anne Kighley landes in Lynton in the countie of Yorke of the yerlie value of iiij li. for terme of her lif. Also I give to the saide Dame Isabell and William Skrymsher the manner of Russington in the countie of Lincoln for terme of xvj yeres to begynne after my decese, and after the said terme to remayne to

* He married Isabel, daughter of Thomas Lindley, of Leathley, widow of Brian Palmes, of Farnley (see his will *Test. Ebor.* v. 264). They had Henry Johnson, of Walton Head, who narrowly escaped attainder at the time of the Insurrection of the North. Arthur, the other son, seems to have married Anne, daughter of George Waterhouse, of Harthill. Margaret, his daughter, married Richard Fawkes, of Farnley.

Arthure Johnson my sonne for terme of his lif, and further I give to Isabell my wif and William Skrymsher my manners, landes in Thornton, Oteryngton, Snathe, Hensall, Goldinge, otherwise Goldale, to hold to the clere yerlie value of xxv li. xv s. iiij d. for xvj yeres to take and dispose as in this my will shall be declared, that is to say I will that the saide Isabell and William shall pay to Margaret my doughter one hundreth markes for her mariage or preferment, and to Frauncys my doughter one hundreth markes. Also I give my holl lease of the parkes of Spofforthe and Topclif for the terme of xviij yeres so that the saide doughters Margaret and Frauncys and also my son Arthure have ther fyndinge of the issues unto suche tyme as that my saide doughters come to the adge of xviij yeres, if they be not maried, and my saide sonne Arthure of the adge of xxj yeres, over and above the cc markes to my saide doughters by this my will appointed. I will that the same Isabell and William of the issues of the same manors shall give to Mawde Palmes one hundreth markes to and for her mariage accordinge as by the last will of Brian Palmes appereth, and to Jane Palmes doughter of Brian Palmes xxiij li. vj s. viij d. for her mariage, and to Anne Kighley xl li. in recompence of here goode service done and for here favor here after to be borne to my children, and to Francys Palmes sone of Brian Palmes decessed and the saide ladie Isabell Johnson late wif of Brian Palmes one hundreth poundes, upon condicion that he the said Fraunces Palmes be bounden in one obligatorie in the some of cc li. unto Henrie Johnson sonne and here of the said Sir Thomas Johnson, that ne the saide Francys Palmes ne his heres at no tyme after the deth of ladie Dame Isabell his mother shall clame any title in the maner of Lyndley nor to any landes in Lyndley, Farnley, Otteley, Kirkbie, Rigton and Lethley. And I give to the said Isabell and William the mannor of Staneburghe Lawe for the terme of the lives of Henrie Everyngham the father and Henrie Everyngham the sonne and of the issues, to pay to Henrie Everyngham, esquier, for the terme of his lif xxvj li. xiij s. iiij d., and to Henrie Everyngham sone after the decesse of the father twentie poundes duringe the lif of Henrie Everyngham the sonne. I will that the said Isabell and William resave of the manner of Ashwell xx li. to go the mariedge of Maude Palmes accordinge to here fathers will, to be taken as parte of the payment of one hundreth markes to here appoynted by this my will. Item I will that Dame Isabell my wif have all suche parcelles of plate, jewelles, beddinge and other housholde stuf as here after shall appere

for terme of here lif so that she leve all the same to the use of Henrie Johnson my sonne or other sone to me, and in defalte of such ishue male to such doughter or doughters as shall forton me to have by the saide Dame Isabell. I will that my cosyn Skrymshere shall have his annuytie out of my landes in Walton Hedde. I give to Dame Isabell and William Scrymsher fyve markes, whome I make myne executores. Witnesses, Sir Thomas Wiglesworth and William Grenne.

[Proved 23 Jan., 1545–6.]

CLXIII. THE WILL OF JAMES CONSTABLE, OF NORTH CLIFFE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 242.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxviij day of Septembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1542, I, James Constable,* of Northclif, in the countie of Yorke, esquier, of holl and perfitt mynde and memorie, beinge withoute sekenes or disease, lovinge be to Almightie God, makes and declares this my last will. First I give my soule to God Almightie, to oure blissed Ladye Virgyn Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company in heaven, with whome I trust faithfully to be one of theme, and my bodie to be buried where it shall please God and my frendes, besechinge God of his infinite mercie that I may be partaker of the blisse of heaven as one of theme whome he redemed and bought. Item I give and bequeath to my parishe church xx s., ther to be by my curate and the parishioners prayd for in a satisfaction of my forgotten tithes. Item I give to the chapell of Clif x s., to every house holder havinge not past towe kyen for ther relef and sustentacion iiij d. in money, and also to the valore of ij d. in brede within Northclif, Southclif, and Houghton. Item I give to my sone and here apparent opon whome it shall happen my silver salte, vj silver spoones, towe trussinge bedstokes with the teisters and hanginges therto belonginge, towe of my best fedre beddes, bowsters, pillos, blankettes, shettes, coverlettes and ij of my best coveringes, and also iij mattresses with all the necessaries to theme belonginge, and half of my holl stuf within my buttre and kitchyn and to theme belonginge, and my holl brewinge vesselles, and one holl draught in cattelles that is to say, wayne ploughe with all ther necessaries and implementes, foure of my best oxen

* Son of Marmaduke Constable, of North Cliffe, whose will is printed in *Test. Ebor.* v. 166, by Elisabeth, daughter of Sir James Metcalfe, of Nappa, who probably re-married . . . . . Wright. He married Bridget, daughter of Sir Geoffrey Middleton, of Middleton, according to Dugdale, at whose *Visitation* in 1666 his descendant, Robert Constable, appeared.

and towe of my best horses, a yonge horse of the best for hyme self and one other for his servaunte, and also ij mayres, and to delyver all ther parcelles and particulers imediatelie after that my saide sone doth complevishe and come to his full adge. Item I give to Brigitt my wif a fether bede with all thinges apperteyninge to it, and the hanginges in the lowe parlure with towe chistes and one coffer, and a yonge bay horse which is pasturinge and fedinge at Newsome in Ridall that was Richarde yongers. Item I give to my mother one awmblinge stage that was Roger Smythes. Item I give to my suster Barbaray Grymston one white cowe with calf and vj s. viij d. in money. Item I give to Elyne Gibson iij s. iiij d., to James Coittes one cowe and tenne yewes, and to Richard Covell one cowe. The residue of all my goodes I do give to myn executors to dispose for the helthe of my soull at ther discressions, my wif and children havinge ther portions accordinge to the lawe. Item for the payment of my dettes and the preferment of my children I do give my holl and full power as of my full gifte unto myne uncle Robert Constable, of Hothome, and James Coittes, of Broughton, that they shall take yerlie oute of my holl landes, that is to say, owte of my manors of Northclif, Southclif, Newsome, Sledmere and Broughton, fourtie markes to that entent my mother may have yerlie xlvj s. viij d. paid duringe here naturall lif in satisfaction of somoche that I solde of here joynter, and also for the payment of lx li. that I do owe unto diverse persons, and also for one hundrethe markes to be taken owte of my landes by my said uncle Robert Constable and James Coyttes which I do give for the preferment and marriage of Alice Constable, my eldest doughter. Item I do give to Agnes Constable, my secunde doughter, one hundreth markes to be taken of my said landes yerlie by my said uncle Robert Constable and James Coittes. I give to Elisabeth Constable, my yongest doughter, one hundreth markes provyded alwaies that if it forton any of my said thre doughters to depart from this present lif before ther advancement be hade that then I will that the supervisors to have ther susters parte, and if it forton that all my saide thre doughters departe frome this present lif then I will that ther holl partes go to my sonnes that then shalbe livinge, and to Brigitt my wif the said some of thre hundreth markes equally to be devyded emongste theme as well to myne here as to my yonger sonnes to have a parte, and to the intent also that Robert Constable myne uncle and James Coittes may yerlie have for ther grett labors and paynes xxvj s. viij d. duringe the holl tyme of the noneage of myne here and half a yere longer. Further I

will that my uncle Robert Constable and John Coittes yerlie do make one trewe accompte of all the receptes unto Sir Marmaduke Constable, of Everyngham, knyght, Elisabeth Wright, my mother, Robert Constable, of Helmesley, esquier, and William Grymston, of Cottingham, gentleman, my brother in lawe, whome I make supervisors of this my will. . . . . I do give unto Robert Constable and John Constable my sonnes either of theme one annuytie or annuall rente of foure poundes by yere goinge forth of my manor of Newsome in Ridall for terme of ther lives, provyded always that my uncle Robert Constable shall have the custodie and order of Robert my sone and of his annuytie, and also William Grymston to have the custodie of John Constable my sone. I do make myne executors Elisabeth Wright my mother and Brigitt Constable my wif. Thes beinge wittnes, Robert Constable of Hothome, gentleman, Thomas Gerge, Sir John Beckwith, my curate, Sir Oliver Haber, with other moo.

[Proved 9 Dec. 1546.]

CLXIV. THE WILL OF ROGER SOTHEBIE, OF BURNHOLME.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 220.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. (*No date.*) I, Roger Sothebie,* of Burnholme, beinge of goode remembrance, thanks be to God, make this my last will. First I bequeath my soull unto Almyghtie God, unto oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie companie of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the church of Pocklington if it shall please God. Item I will and give all my landes and tenements that I have in Kirkfenton and Littlefenton to my executors unto the some of sex score poundes be come for the payment of my debtes and fulfillinge of my will. Item I give the rentes and proffettes of all my landes in Bishop Wilton to my executors unto the some of one hundrethe and fowrty poundes be come to the payment of my debtes, of the which landes I have made one surrendre accordinglie. I bequeath thirteene poundes sex shillinges and eightpence to be distributed to the poore people of Pocklington and other townes ther aboutes as shall be thought best by the discression of my executors and myne uncle Hawteclif. Item I will that myne executors shall fynde one blake clothe with white crosses ouer my bodie and one serdge of

* Son of John Sotheby, of Pocklington, by Jane, daughter and co-heiress of Sir William Hawcliffe. He married Eleanor, daughter of Sir William Constable, of Hatfield, and had a daughter, Margaret, married to William Hungate, of Saxton.

wax by the space of sextene yeres. Item I bequeath to Mr. Albayne Langdale xx s. I will that one able preste shall singe for my soull, my father and mother soules, and all Christen soules for the space of tenne yeres holl in the church of Pocklington, and if it forton my bodie not to be buried there then I will that a prest shall singe fyve of the said tenne yeres wher my bodie shall be. Also I bequeath to every one of my brethren, that is to say, my brother Robert, Thomas, William and John, every of them fyve markes. I bequeath to my suster Appleyerde xl s., to my suster Stokdall xl s., to John Thornholm and Maude Thornholm either of them fyve markes, to my father Sir William Constable, knyght, one pece of golde of the valore of xx s., to my ladie one riall and silver spoone, to William Gowcell and Robert my boy either of theme iij s. iiij d., to the Sacrament in Noneburnham Church viij s., to myne uncle parson of the same churche for my tenthes unpaide if any be xiij s., to Mawde Beswike and to Rosamonde my maydens either of them iij s. iiij d., to every servaunte in Sir William Constable's house xij d., to myne uncle Hawteclif one chamlet gowne, to my brother William Constable one olde riall, to Boynton my servaunte vj s. viij d. and to euery servaunte under hyme xij d., to euery servaunte of my brother Robertes xij d., to my servaunte William Ley xij yewes and xij lambes. To Margaret Sothebie my doughter my best golde rynge and one bruche of golde opon my cape, and the custodie of here and here goodes I commytt unto the custodie of myne uncle Hawteclif and her mother. Also I will that the house which Denyson wif and Andike wif have for ther lives by the gift of my father shall remayne to towe power folkes for the terme of twentie yeres at the assignment of my executors after the deth of the saide towe wives. To Elyne Sotheby my wif one pece of golde weinge vij aungelles. To Margaret Sotheby my doughter aforsaide twentie markes sterlinge over and besides here portion and childes parte if it chaunce that she be not here unto me, and if it chance that she be here unto me I will that the half of the saide twentie markes be given to the mendynge of Kexbie lane and the other half to be given in almes. The residue of my goodes not bequest now geven I will that my executors shall distribute it for the helth of my soull as they thinke goode by ther discressions. And of this my last will I make Thomas Sotheby, my brother, Elinor Sothebie, my wif and Margaret Sothebie my doughter aforsaide my executors, and I ordain Sir William Constable, knyght, and Thomas Hawteclif of Grymthorpe, the supervisors. In witness whereof

I have subscribed my name the eight day of Aprile in the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande fyve hundreth and fourtie and foure. Thes beinge witnesses, Thomas Hawteclif, William Constable, Christofer Mayne and Thomas Sothebie.

[Proved 20 Sept., 1545.]

CLXV. THE WILL OF RICHARD PLOMPTON, OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 105.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiij daie of Aprill, 1544, I, Richard Plompton, hooll in mynde and seke in bodie, maketh my testament with myne owne hande. First I give my soule to Almightie God, and to all the congregacon of Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried where so ever it shall please God. Item if it please God I departe in the Citie of Yorke my bodie to be buried in Sancte Mychaell Kirke at Ousebrige ende by my father, Roberte Plompton and my mother, Agnes Plompton, and the churche wardones to have for my buriall x s. Item I bequeath xl s. to be spent aboute my beriall as my executures thinkes it necessarie as they think best. Item I bequeath twentie markes to be paid unto fower honest persons or kirkewardones of the parishe of Sanct Mychaels to porches as moche lande as will maike one obit everie yere on Sancte Anne even, or the daie a *messe* songgine with *dirige* fyve prestes everie one of them iiij d. apece. The parson xij d. for waxe, and parishe clerk vj d., and the ouder clerke iij d., and xiij d. to be given to xiij poore folkes that nede most, and iij s. iiij d. to breade and ale to be given to poore folkes in the parishe, and one of the kirkewardons to offer a harde penny and taike up iiij d., and this to be done in the name for the soule of Robert Plompton and his wife, and Richarde Plompton with his breder and susters and all Cristen soules, and if they cannot purchesse noo lande or rent by the helpe of my executours, than I will that my executures fall to a composicon withe the parishe, and they to be bounde in a conysens unto the maire of the Cetie of Yorke in twentie pounde or els yerlie to fulfil the said testament and the bequest abovesaid. And if my executures can maike noo poyntement withe the parishe, then I will the saide twentie marcs be given to twentie maides mariedgies that is moste poore and haithe litle in the Citie as in the countrie that be honest and good of porte. To Haunrie Plompton, my sone, nowe beinge be yonde see, to be taiken of my goodes and dettes xl poundes, and Christofer Conyers and Sir Mathue Nawton to have they twoo the custodie on hyme to be of

lefull aige, and to putte hyme to a goode hande crafte to gette his lyvinge with all, and if he depairte in onder aige I will his porcon half to be putte in dedes of charitie and other halfe to be given emonges my poorest kinsefolkes equally to be devided emonges theme. To my wife Wallice, my ladie Hodgeshon, my ladie Paulle, my ladie Shadlok and maistrice Paycokke, ilke one of thame to have x s. to maike a ringe of golde and to putte therein R.P. and P. in memorie of Richarde Plompton as a token. To maistrice Conyeres xl s. to a ringe of golde and a litle horne goblett. To Malde Conyers xl s., to Jenie Conyers and Conny other of thame xx s. To my cosinge George Plompton and his fyve childer xx s. a peice. To Jane Plompton and hir thre childer everie one of theme xx s. a peice. To my brother Haistinges twoo childer v li. To Christofer Conyeres thre poundes, a furde gowne lyned with foxe thorowoute. To Mr. William Plompton and his childer twoo hoggesheades of wyne to maike merie withall. To William Sylmynge a Spanishe kipe gardid with blacke velvett and x s. to a golde ringe. The residue of my goodes I give to Haunrie Plompton my sone, and I maike my executors Christofer Conyers and my cosinge Sir Mathue Nawton, preste, and he to have xxx s., other of theme, and a golde ringe. And I charge my executures none oderwise yf I bee of poore when I die as I have nowe, or els my executures to doo as they thinke best in all cawsies as I wolde dowe for thame. And yf Hawnrie Plompton die I will my goodes ware given to my poore kinsefolkes or good dedes of charitie, and to this will I maike Mr. John Hodgeshone, Mr. John Shadlock, Mr. Robert Paycocke my supervisours of this my laste will. Written with myne owne hande and setto my nayme and seale here onder.

[Proved 19 Jan., 1545-6.]

CLXVI. THE WILL OF JOHN ANNE, OF FRICKLEY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 73.]

In the name of God Almyghtie. The xxiiij day of Aprill, the yere of oure Lorde God, 1544, I, John Anne,* of Frikley, esquier, beinge of holl mynd and perfite remembrance, lawde and praise be unto Almyghtie God, make this my last will. First and principally I comend my soull unto Christ Jesu,

* There have been no wills printed of this old Catholic family in *Test. Ebor.*, though there are several at York. The testator's great-grandfather's will is as under :—"Ralph Anne, of Frickley. In the feast of St Dionisius, 1456. My body to be buried in the church of All Saints, of Frickley. In wax to be burnt

my maker and redemer, in whome is all my holl truste of remission and forgiveness of my synnes, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie and to all the Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Frikley in the quere betwene the pillors. Also I will that nyght that it pleaseth God to call me to his mercie that I may have sexe power beide men to have sexe blake gownes or white, and every one of them a taper of waxe in ther handes burnynge that nyght and no moo to watche my bodie that nyght but they, and they to have iiij d. a pece. Also I bequeath to Hoton Pannall Church nedes in to the handes of the churchwardens tenne shillinges, and also to the highe altare of Hoton Pannall for tithes forgotten v s., also to the highe altare of Frikley for tithes forgotten vj s. viij d. To Christofer Anne my sone at suche tyme as he goys to howse a fedder bede, a bolster, a pare of shettes, a pare of blankettes, towe couerlettes, towe pillos, a coveringe, a mattres, a pare of shettes, a couerlet (with certayne other stuf as doth appere in a libell that is joined to my will). To Martyne Anne, my sone, from ought come at me and my wife, a feder bede, a bolster, a pare of shettes, a paire of blankettes, towe coverlettes, towe pillos, a coverynge, a mattres, a paire of shettes, a coverlett, my best horse, and if he chaunce to abide in the countrie and to kepe husbandrie then he to have a wayne, a ploughe, a pare of harros and sexe oxen with that gere that they warke withall. Also to Peter Anne, my sone, the tithe corne at Marre, he payinge for it, a feder bed, &c. To Gabriell Anne, my sonne, my horse mylne with the tithe corne of Clayton, he paying for it, and a house of Claiton More which I have by copie. To my sonne, William Anne, a feder bede, &c. To my doughter, Dorithye Anlabie, a bed, &c.

at my exequies iiij lbs. To the high altar of same church iij s. iiij d. To the high altar of the church of Hoton Pannall iij s. iiij d. I order my executors, Elena my wife, Dom. William Stodfold, rector of Hoton, Thomas Boswell, of Cunnysburgh, and Thomas Anne." Proved.

His grandfather's will is also there. "Thomas Anne, of Frykley, 11 Feb., 1467. To be buried in the church of Blessed Mary, of Hampall. To the prioress and convent of nuns of Hampall one acre of meadow on condition they say 'De profundis' every day. To the prioress on the day of my burial xij d., and to every nun vj d. to pray for me. Residue to my wife Elizabeth, and Hugh Parcevell, Alice, Marion, Elizabeth and Agnes, my sons and daughters, to be executors. Supervisors, Parsevall Cresacre and eldest son John." Proved 7 May, 1468.

His father's estate was administered 14 Dec., 1520, and his mother's will is printed No. VIII in this volume.

The testator married,—first Margery, daughter of Humphrey Hercy, Esq., and secondly Katherine, daughter of Sir John Hotham, by whom he had his children. The family only ended in the male line in 1882.

To John Anlabie, my godsonne, a yoke of oxen and ij silver spones. To Margaret Anlabie too quyes and ij silver spones. To my brother William my best horse next to that I did give to my sonne Martyne and my broche. To Marie More a cowe and a quarter of barlie. To Sir Richarde Furnes a blake satten dublett and a sleveles jackett. To Christofer Uscrofte a blake spruce jerkyne and a velvett bonnett. Also I bequeathe my rynge which is in valure worthe xxvj s. viij d. to my brother Peke, my brother Grene, and to my thre susters for to make euery one of them a gymber rynge to have me in remembrance. To viij townes next enioynynge me viijth quarters of corne, that is to saye either whett, barlie or pease, that is Clayton, Thurnscoughe, Hikilton, Marre, Brodesworth, Hoton Pannall, Elmsall, Skelbrike and to Hampall half a quarter of corne each. To every one of my yomen a quarter wage, and to every one of my hyndes xij d. a pece, and to every one of my mades xij d. a pece. To John Marshall my boye xl s. in penny or pennyworth. To every one of my godchildren xij d. a pece. The residue to Katheryne Anne, my wif, and to my brother in lawe William Hothome, esquier, whom I make my full executors. Thes beinge witnes, Sir Richarde Fournes, curate, Christofer Uscrofte, Thomas Witt.

[Proved 21 Nov., 1545.]

CLXVII. THE WILL OF RALPH LUMLEY, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 41.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. 24 Sept., 1544, I, Rauf Lumley, gentleman, of Thwenge, holl of mynde, makes my will. I bequeith my soull unto Almightie God, and to his mother oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche aforsaide. I give for my mortuarie accordinge to the Kinges acte for tithes forgotten ij s., to one prest to singe for me one trentall of messes x s., to the upholdinge of my parishe churche v s. To my suster Katheryne for all manner of duties betwixt here and me x s. To every gresse house in the parishe ij d. to pray for me. To John Coittes towe quarters barlie. The residue unto my wif and to my towe childer, and I make Margaret my wif, Anne Lumley and Barbarye Lumley my doughters, my executrices. Witnesses, Sir Richard Wright, Sir Thomas Barkchus and John Carie.

[Proved 23 July, 1545.]

CLXVIII. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS FAWKES, OF FARNLEY.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 3.]

In the name of God, Amen. The thirde day of October in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1544, I, Nicholas Fawkes,* of Farneley, within the parish of Otteley, esquier, beinge of holl mynde and goode memorie, make this my last will. First I bequeathe my soull to Almightie God, my Creator and Redemer, and my bodie to be buried within the churche yerde of Otteley, my parishe churche. To the highe altare in Otteley churche for tithes forgotten ij s. To Anne my wif one mare, ij stages and a fole, vj kie, ij silver saltes, a silver peice, the bede and the stokes that I lie in, and the holl stuf in here parlure, also to Marmaduke my sone one cowe, one stote and one yonge maire, to John my sone one yoke of oxen, to Frauncys my sone ij kie and ij stottes. I will that John my sone shall give to Jane his doughter one cowe. To Dorithe Lyndley my doughter ij calves, to Arthure Ogle viij s. iiij d., to every one of my sonnes and doughters children iiij d., to Marmaduke my sone the reversion of one farmhold now in tenure of Nicholas Bradley and Thomas Bradley, after the decese of Anne my wif, to hold to him duringe his life. To a prest to singe for my soull iiij li. To the bienge of a booke to Otteley Churche ix s. To Richarde Olrede my curate vj s. viij d. to pray for my soull. The residue I will that it be devyded by even porcons to Anne my wif, John, Marmaduke and Frauncys my children. To Laurence Potte, John Duffeld, Thomas Lowde, Anne Wilie and Margaret Fawkes, my servauntes, every one of them xij d. to pray for my soull. I make Anne my wif and my sones John and Marmaduke my executors, and I desier for charite Mr. Marmaduke Gascoigne and Richarde Lyndley my sone in lawe to se this my last will be fulfiled in all poyntes, and I give them iij s. iiij d. each for a remembrance. Thes witnessynge, Richarde Olrede my curate, Richarde Lyndley, John Birdsall and Laurence Pott, with other moo.

[Proved 18 March, 1544–5.]

CLXIX. THE WILL OF ELLEN ARMERODE, OF SOUTH KIRKBY, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 25*d.*]

Nov. 4, 1544, 36 Henry viij. Elyn Armerode, widue, of Sowth Kirkbie. First I bequeathe my soull to Almyghtie God, my bodie to be buried within the church yerde of

* Son of John Fawkes, of Farnley, steward of the Forest of Knaresborough. It is said his wife was Anne Hawkesworth. His son John's will comes later on.

Sowthe Kirkbie. Secundarie I will have a trentall of messes for my husband and me. Also I will that Thomas Armerode have a mattres, a white coverlett, a pare of newe harden shettes, a pillo, a brase pott, and iij li. iij s. iiij d. of money, and a mere. Also I will that William Hensclif wif, my doughter, have my best gowne, a cote, a pare of newe harden shettes, and xx leas of yerne, my best kirchif, a smoke, a lynnen approne, and a harden (*sic*). Also I will that Margaret Armerode, my doughter in lawe, have my best cote, my petticote, a kirchif, a smoke, and a lynnen approne, and xx leis of yerne. Also I will that Frauncys, here doughter, (have) my chiste next my bedde; Richard Hensclif wif, my best petticote; Christofer Wode wif, my best gowne but one, a rale, a necoler, a smoke and a kirchif, and my house and my shone; Alicie Armerode, my best belte, ij dublers, and ij yerdes of harden to make her a smoke, and a rynge; Isabell Scoley, ij dublers, a kirchif and a rynge, my best brase pott after the decese of Richarde Armerode, my son; Anne Scolay, a kirchif, ij dublers, a candlestike and a ringe; Isabell Armerode, a kirchif, a dubler and a rynge; Jane Armerode, my bedes, a chiste, a rede coverlett, and a pare of newe hempe tere shetes; Margaret Hetton, my warste petticote and my best hate. Also I give my best borde clothe, my best shett with a towell, unto the hie altare, and the other to oure Ladies altare, and the towell to Sancte Michaell altare. Residue to the forsaide Richarde Armerode my sone, whome I make myne executour. Witnesses, Sir John Hopwoode, curate, Richarde Scoley, Adam Hay, and Thomas Durham, with other moo.

[Proved 9 June, 1545.]

CLXX. THE WILL OF WILLIAM STURTON, OF STURTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 8.]

Dec. 1, 1544. William Stirton, the elder, of Stirton. To be buried within the church yerde of sancte Peter in Stirton. To the hie altare xx d. I give a pounde of waxe to be light aboute my bodie the day of my buriall. I give to be disposed the day of my buriall in meate, drinke and money xl s. To iiij children of Robert my sonnes (*sic*), to every one, iiij d. To foure children of Henrie Floures the yonger, to every one, iiij d. To Margerie, my wif, William, Laurencie and Henrie, my sonnes, my hede house that I dwell in, with all landes etc. in Stirton belonginge to the saide house, they to occupie by the spacie of thre yeres next after my decease. I will that Robert, myn eldest sonne, paye to Margerie, my wif, William,

Laurencie and Henrie, my sonnes, the thirtie pounde that I paide for the purchesed lande that I bought of John Dams, before he enter to my parte or parcell therof. I make Mr. Richarde Richardson the yonger supervisor of this my will. Residue to Margerie, my wif, William, Laurencie and Henrie, my sonnes, whome I make my executors. Thes witnes, John Smyth the elder, Thomas Stirton the yonger, Averay Diccons, and Richarde Shakloybie.

[Proved 30 April, 1545.]

CLXXI. THE WILL OF MARTIN HILDYARD, OF WINESTEAD, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 22.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxx^tie^ day of Decembre, 1544, I, Martyne Hillierde,* of Wynested in Holdernes, esquier, holl of mynde and of goode remembrance, doth constitute, ordan and makes this my last will. First I give and bequeath my soull unto Almightie God, my Creator and Redemer, to the blissed Virgyne his mother oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie and blissed company of heaven. My bodie to be buried within the churche of Wynested beforsaide. Item I give unto the churche of the saide Wynested xx s., and x s. to be distributed emonges the power people dwellinge in the saide Wynested. Item I give unto the churche of Littlecottes xx s. for my self, and for my ladie my grandmother xx s. Item I give and devise by this my last will unto Eme Hillierde my wif, and to my cosinge Nicholas Rudstone, esquier, towe partes in thre partes to be devyded of my lordshippes and mannors of Wynested, Swyne, Skelbroughe and Fenwike in the countie of Yorke, and of all the messuages, &c. And also I give to the saide Eme my wif and to my saide cosinge Nicholas Rudstone, esquier, towe partes in thre partes to be devyded of all my lordshipes, manours within the townes and feldes of Fulstowe, Marshe Chappell, Edlingholme, Hawton, Alysbie, Swallowe and Mickilcottes within the countie of Lincolne, to have and to holde towe partes to the above named Eme my wif, and my saide cosinge Nicholas Rudstone, esquier, and to ther assignes unto thende of twentie yeres, the issues to be imployed for the true performance of this my last will and for the paymentes of my deittes. I give unto every other parishe churches and townes beinge within the Southbaliewike

* Son of Sir Christopher Hildyard, of Winestead. The will of his ancestor, Robert Hildyard, of Winestead, is in *Test. Ebor.* iv, 11. The testator's wife was Emma, daughter of Robert Rudston, of Boughton, co. Kent. Winestead has only recently been sold.

vj s. viij d. I will that imediatelie after my decese iiij able prestes at the discression of my executrix shalbe founde all in one yere to synge at the saide parishe churche of Wynested for the helth of my soull, my frendes soules and all Christen soules. Item I give unto Margerie Girdlington x li. to here mariege. Item I give unto Elynor Hustwaite vj li. iij s. iiij d. to her mariege. Item I give to Elisabeth Hillierde vj li. xiij s. iiij d. to here mariege, and of it chaunce the saide Elisabeth Hillierde to decease before she be maried then I will that the said vj li. xiij s. iiij d. to remayne unto Christofer Hillierde here father. Also I will that the said Margerie, Elenor and Elisabeth shall not clayme the same somes of money unto them yerely oneles they do marie at the discression and advise of my saide wif Eme Hillierde. Item I give unto mother Waynman a cowe, unto Margaret Chapman xx s. to here mariedge, to every other my women servauntes iij s. iiij d. Item I will that every one of my yomen have a holl yeres wage over and besides that I do owe theme of ther wages, to Myles Waynman v s., to gret Robert iij s. iiij d., and to every one of my ploughe boyes xij d., to Sir John Croster my dunde nag whiche I had of William Hustwaite. I give unto the norish of my sone William Hillierde a cowe which I bought of Sir Robert Swale. Item I give unto my sone Richard Hillierde xx li. in money to be gyven hyme when he shall come unto the age of twentie yeres. Item I give unto my sone John Hillierde xx li. in money to be gyven hyme when he shall come to the age of twentie yeres. I give unto my sone William Hillierde xx li., and if it chaunce any of my saide sonnes to decease before they do come unto the saide aige of xx yeres, then I will that xx li. of his that so chaunsethe to departe be equally devyded emonge the other that survives. Item I give unto my godson Martyn Rudstone iij li. vj s. viij d., unto Edmund Frothingham xx s., to my saide cosinge Nicholas Rudstone, esquier, x li. Item I make Sir Frauncys Ascuth, knyght, supervisor of this my will, and to have for his payne my graye awmblinge geldinge. The residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I give unto my saide wif, whome I make my sole executrix. Thes witnes, John Crofts, prest, John Frothingham, Robert Clerke thelder and Edmunde Frothingham, William Danyell and Robert Clerke yonger.

[Proved 22 May, 1545.]

CLXXII. THE WILL OF SIR BRIAN STAPLETON, OF BURTON JOYCE, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 675*d.*]

Jan. 1, 36 Henry viij (1544–5). Sir Brian Stapleton,* of Burton Joyce, knyghte. My soule to Almyghtie God, and my bodie to be buried in suche parishe churche where it shall please God that I fortune to depairte oute of this presente worlde, in suche place as my executrixe and supervisores shall seme convenient. Also I will that my mortuarie shall be paide after the order of the kinges lawes. Also I will that at the dae of my buriall my funerall expenses, meate, drinke, offeringes, waxe and all other necessare thinges to prestes, clerkes and poore people, be done and distributed by the discrecon of my executrixe and supervisores. Where I have landes etc., to the yerelie value of fower hundreth fower poundes and xiij d., that is to say, the mannore of Kentmere in the countie of Westmerlande, of the yerelie value of xl li. viij s. viij d.; the mannore of Bingeham, with landes in Bingeham, Clifton, Rodingeton, Cotgrave, Owthorpe, Kennalton, Newton, Sibthorpe and Colwicke in the countie of Nottingehame, to the yerelie value of lxxxxviij li. xij s. iij d.; the mannore of Kokerington, and landes in Kokerington, Lowthe, Northe Somercoites, Southe Somercoites, Barnesthorpe, Connesholme, Grymolseby and Borroe in the countie of Lyncolne, to the yerelie value of xxij li. x s. vj d.; the mannor of Kirkebie and Kerebie in the countie of Yorke, to the yerelie value of xvij li. vij s. v d.; the mannor of Walkingehame Hill, with landes in Walkingeham Hill, Scotton, Farneham, and Fulueston in the countie of Yorke, to the yerelie value of x li. vj s. viij d.; the mannor of Sutton in Holdernes, withe landes in Sutton in Holdernes, Shotton, Drypole, Staneferrie and Sudcotes in Holdernes, in the countie of Yorke, to the yerelie value of xix li.; the mannor of Burton Jorce, withe landes in Burton Jorce, Sneynton and Gedlington, in the countie of Notting', to the yerlie value of xviij li. xijd.; the mannor of Bedale, with the landes in Bedale, Askue, Leyminge, Firby and Olbington in the countie of Yorke, to the yerlie value of lj li. viij s. x d.; the mannor of Brian Askehame and Rougheforde, withe landes in Brian Askeham, Roughforde, Acome, Tokwithe and Willesthorpe, in the countie of the citie of Yorke, to the yerelie value of

* Head of the Stapletons of Carlton. He died 2 April, 1550; buried at Burton Joyce. His first wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Lord Scrope of Bolton, by whom he had his son Richard. He married secondly Joan, daughter of Thomas Bassett, by whom he had Brian and other children.

xliij li. vij s. v d.; the mannor of Carleton nighe (676) Sneyth, withe landes in Carleton nighe Sneythe, Camelforde, and Draxe, in the countie of Yorke, to the yerlie value of lxxxij li. xix s. iiij d. I, the said Sir Brian Stapleton, knyghte, declare this my laste will and testament. First I will that my welbeloved wife, dame Jane Stapleton, shall have for terme of her naturall lif to her owen use, in the nayme of her joynter, the foresaid mannor of Cokerington, Kirkebie and Kereby, Walkingehame Hill and Sutton in Holdernes, etc. I will that Brian Stapleton, my yonger sone, shall have the mannor of Kentmere (676*d*) for terme of his life. Also I will that Edmonde Molyneuxe, seriante at lawe, shall have for terme of his life one annuytie of liij s. iiij d., goinge oute of the landes in Bingeham. To Roberte Seyton, gentleman, for terme of life, one annuytie of five poundes, goinge oute of the landes of Burton Joyce. To Elizabeth Bassett, my sister in lawe, for terme of her lif, one annuytie of xl s., goinge oute of the landes of Burton Joice. To Lettice Barrowe, one other of my sisters in lawe, for terme of her life, one annuytie of xl s. Also to sister in law Alice Mylnes an annuity of xl s., and to Edward Lynche one of v li., both from Burton Joyce. To Nicholes Stapleton, for terme of his life, one annuytie of thre poundes, goinge oute of the landes in Bingeham. To the churche of Burton Joice, to be praied for, xiij s. iiij d. To dame Jane, my wif, all my moneye, wyne, golde, plaite, cheyne and cheynes of golde and juelles, and all other my householde stuffe at Burton Joyce. To my sone Brian Stapleton halfe of all the goodes and catalles at Bingeham, other in the towne or in the feildes, at the tyme of my departinge oute of this presente worlde, so that he be ordered and rueled by the saide dame Jane, my wif, his naturall mother. I will that my executrixe shall give towardes the mariages of a hundreth poore maydens one hundreth markes (677). My interelie beloved wife, dame Jane Stapleton, my sooll executrixe. Unto my sone, Richarde Stapleton, all my harnes, that is other in my armye chamber or other placies, that is to say, jackes, sallettes, splentes, almen revettes, legges harnesses, and all my bowes, arrowes, or sheffe of arrowes, haylles, standerdes, and any other manner of harnes, that belongithe to warre. Unto Brian Stapleton, sone and heire of the saide Richarde Stapleton, vj of the best kie with calfes. Unto Elizabeth Stapleton, doughter unto my saide sone Richarde, vj of the beste kie withe calfes. To my brother in lawe, John Bassett, the beste geldinge excepte one. Theis beinge witnes, Robert Seyton, Richarde Wilde.

[Proved 9 Oct., 1550.]

CLXXIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD OGLETHORPE, OF WALLINGWELLS.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 221.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xijth daie of Februarie, 1544, I, Richarde Oglesthorpe,* of Wallingewelles, in the countie of Nottingham, seke in bodie, maike my last will. Firste I bequeath my soule to Almightie God, owr ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, my bodie to be buried within the churche of Carleton. I bequeithe my terme that I have in Wallingewelles to my son Roberte Oglesthorpe accordinge to one assignement by me to hyme. I bequeith to the saide Robert one mease and certaine landes in Clifforde, in the countie of Yorke, now in the tenuor of John Knapton, of the yerlie value of xxvj s. viij d., for tearme of his lif; to my son Leonarde Oglesthorpe one mease and landes in Clifforde of the yerlie valoure of fortie shillinges. Item where I have graunted all my backe terme and yeres which I have of the parsonage of Canteley, in the countie of Yorke, together with the lease of the same unto the saide Leonarde, I will that he shall have the said parsonage and lease accordinge to the saide graunte, provided alwaie that maistrice Margarete Goldesmythe shall have twentie markes of the rentes and farmes. I bequeathe to my doughter Anne Oglesthorpe twentie markes, to my doughter Alice twentie poundes sterlinge in full recompence of ther childes porcon, provided that if the saide Anne and Alice, or aither of them, do die before they shalbe maried or doo accomplishe thaige of xviij yeres that then theire saide porcions to remayn to be devided amonge all my other doughters then beinge on live. I bequeathe to my aunte Alice Wilkinson ten shillinges, to my brother John Swinehowe my worsted gowne and a damaske iakket, to every one of my god children xij d., to everye one of my servauntes xij d. besides their wagies, to my brother John Swinehowe that he shall have the cloise whiche he haithe in leas at Wallingwelles duringe all of lease withoute any thinge yeldinge or painge. I give one house and all my landes in Wighthorpe, in the countie of Nottingham, which I boughte of Lawrence Elles, to the saide John Swinehowe and his heires for ever, upon condicon that he discharge me my heires of all such estates as he haithe of the landes in Barrowe, in the countie of Lyncolne. Item where I have frelie given unto my sones Robert and Leonarde all my goodes and stuf that I had and nowe remanith at Oglesthorpe in the custodie of Charles

* Eldest son of John Oglethorpe, of Oglethorpe.

Hopkinson, and also the croppe and corne and grane whiche the saide Charles sholde leve to me, then I will that the saide Robert and Leonarde shall have all the saide goodes. I bequeathe to my sone William a gowne faiced withe chambelet, my best dublet, a chambelet iakett, an yron bounde chist, a table for an alter, a chalice and a sute of vestementes upon condicon that the saide chalice, vestementes, table and chiste be at my house at Oglesthorpe as heire lomes theire. I bequeathe the residue of my rayment to be devidid amonge my saide sones Robert and Leonarde at the disposicon of my brother John Swinehowe. To my brother Thomas Oglesthorpe a crowne of v s., to be bestowed aboute my funeralles iiij li., to a preste to singe for me fortie shillinges. I will that my aunte Alice Wilkinson shall have the custodie of my doughter Jane and her pairte. To Constance my servaunte vj s. viij d. The rest of my goodes not bequeathed I give to the disposicon of my brother John Swinehowe, my sone Robert Oglesthorpe, whome I maike my executores. Thies beinge witnes, William Moote, Richarde Peake and John Wawbe.

[Proved 7 Oct., 1546.]

CLXXIV. THE WILL OF RICHARD WILLOUGHBYE, ALDERMAN, OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 80.]

Feb. 24, 1544–5, 36 Hen. viij. Richarde Willoughebie, one of the aldermen of the towne of Nottingeham. First I bequeath my soule unto Almighty God, the maiker and the redemer of the same, moste humbly besechinge hym that throughe the merites of his bitter deathe and passion that I may be one of his electe and chosen in heven, and for succure and helpe thereunto I beseche oure blissed ladie and all holie sanctes in heven to praie for me. Item I will that my bodie shall be buried in the churche of Sancte Maires in Nottingeham, nighe unto the plaice where as my father was buried, and to have at my buriall thre masses withe note, that is to saie, the masse of the Holy Goste, the masse of Our Ladie, and the masse of requiem. Item my will and my mynde is to be buried under stole, and everie preste [illegible] in the parishe of Sancte Maries to have xij d. for his [illegible] taikinge, and every other preste not of the towne [illegible] to have iiij d., of other parishinges to have vj d. [illegible] that the said preste dooe refuse to taike the said [illegible] written, then I will that my executores shall [illegible] well disposed preistes at their discressions to saie [illegible] masses for my soule and all Christen soulles. To

the highe alter of Sancte Maries in Nottingeham, for tithes forgotten ij s. Item I give for my mortuarie accordinge to Kinges Maiesties lawes in that caise provided. Item I give unto Thomas Willoughebie, my sone, after the decesse of his grandmother, two measses or tenementes sette, lyinge and beinge togeither in the Narrowe Marshe, and wherein I nowe dwell, and one house of the Hie Payment in the tenor of Thomas Chamberleyne; and one acre and a halfe of medue sette nighe unto West Crofte, ij tenementes in Sancte Maries gaite, and one tenement in Castell gaite nowe in the tenor of Thomas Holte, to have to the said Thomas Willughbie and to the heires mailes of his bodye lawfully begotten, rem. to the righte heires mailes of the bodie of me the said Richarde Willughebie. To Wilyame Willughebie, my sone, after the decease of his graundemother, all my landes whiche I have within the feildes of the towne of Nottingeham, Lenton and Radforth, and also a clois whiche is nowe in the tenor of one Nicholes Dormon, whiche I did purchesse of John Kneton, and a garden sette at Calverton Crosse in the tenor of John Godbere, to have and to holde to hyme and to his heires mailes. And if the saide William Willughebie die before his graundemother and under the aige of xxj yeeres, then the said landes to remaine to John my sone. To John Willughbie, my sone, after the decease of his grandemother, a house or tenement set in the Narrowe Marshe in the tenor of John Pare, and one garden at Barcar gaite end, and the yerelie rent of viij d. by yere due to me for the chefe rent of a house laite John Kneton's, and too pennes and one coke or viij d. of money due to me for the chefe rent of a tenement laite Thomas Mellers, nere unto the Hen Crosse, to have to the said John Willughbie and his heires mailes, rem. to William Willughebie. To the childe that my wife doithe nowe gooe with, yf it do lyve, a tenement in the Narowe Marshe nowe in the tennor of Brianne (80*d*) Garforthe, and to the heires of that said childe for ever. Notwithstandinge I will that Agnes, my wife, have it for terme of hir life after my dettes be paide to Maistrice Jane Hamptone and John Wynney. Item I will that my wife Agnes, imediately after my decease, shall have the thirde parte of my goodes accordinge to the lawe. Also I will that immediatelie after my decese all my goodes and cattals shall be praesed, and after the goodes so praised by fower indifferent men accordinge to the lawe, I will that so muche goodes be put into my executors' handes, as shall pay my dettes and my legaces, and the reste to be devided emonge my wife and myne children accordinge to the lawe.

Item I will that Thomas Willughebie, Willyam Willughebie and John Willughebie, with their partes and porcons, do remaine in the handes of Issabell Reuell, my mother, till suche tyme as they come to there lawfull aidge. Item I will that Mabell Willughebie, my doughter, and Johan Willughebie, my doughter, and suche yssue as Agnes my wife doithe go withall, if it do lyve, shall remaine withe their pairtes or porcons in the handes of my foresaide wife, as longe as she doithe kepe her sole and unmaried.* Supervisoures, Robert Hasybrige, Henrie Fosbroke and Richarde Alenson. To my wif Agnes the revercon of the lease whiche I have of the maior and burgesses of the towne of Nottingeham of and in a pece of medue called Rie Hill Sike. To Isabell Reuell, my mother, and to Agnes, my wife, my lease of the personedge of Codgrave in the countie of Nottinghame, whiche I have by indenture for yeres of the graunte of Mr. Doctor Cootes. Witnes, William Sharpingeton, James Maisone, Sir Hughe Chorleton, preste, John Reuell and Richarde True, with divers other.

[Proved 8 Oct., 1545, by the relict.]

CLXXV. THE WILL OF WALTER PASLEWE, OF RIDLESDEN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 20.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvth daye of Marche, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1543, I, Walter Paslewe, of Riddelsden, in the countie of Yorke, beinge in perfitt remembraunce and holl of bodie, entendinge by the gracie of God accordinge to the kinges comaundement by his letters to me directed shortelie to take my jorney towarde the Scottes for the defence of the realme of Englande, do make this my last will accordinge to an estatute or acte of parliament therof maide, in manner and forme followinge as herafter shalbe declared. First, wher I, the saide Walter Paslewe, is seased of londes and tenementes in Harden, Halton, Colyngworthe, Ricrofte and Cowehouses, latelie purchased of the Kinges Maiestie, and holdith the same of my soveraigne lorde the kinge *in capite*, I, the saide Walter, do give towe partes of all the saide landes to Agnes Paslewe, Julyan Paslewe, Marie Paslewe and Jayne Paslewe, my doughters, and that they shall equally have the issues and proffettes of the saide ij partes unto suche tyme as every of theme shall receyve the some of fourtie poundes

* He also makes a devise of lands at Normanton-upon-Soore.

for the preferment of ther mariages, and I will that John Nevell of Leversege, William Calverley of Calverley, John Tempest, John Lacie, Thomas Mawde, Georgie Paslewe and Stephan Paslewe, receyve thissues therof to thuse of the saide Agnes, Julian, Marie and Jayne, and the same to kepe unto such tyme as they or any of theme shall forton to be maried, and then to delyver the portion to here so maried; and if any of my saide doughters do die before mariedge, then I will that the saide John Nevell and others his cofellos receyf no more of thissues of the saide landes to thuse of that doughter so dede, and then they to delyver the issues to my doughters then lyvinge equally to be devyded emonges them. And I, the said Walter Paslewe, do make Jayne, my wif, and Frauncys, my son and here apperaunte, my executors, and that they of my goodes pay all my dettes, and the goodes that doth remayne after my dettes paide I give to myne executors. In witnes whereof I, the saide Walter Paslewe, have putto my seall. Item I will that Frauncys, my sone, shall fynde Georgie Paslewe, my cosinge, honestlie meite, drinke and clothe yerlie duringe his lif, or else to give hyme iiij markes yerlie. Item I will that Jane, my wif, shall have the custodie and rewell of my foure yonger sons and ther landes unto such tymes as they shall be and accomplishe the adge of xvj yeres, and my saide wif to kepe my saide iiij sonnes at the scole for ther promocon and lernynge. Also I will that my saide wif shall kepe and fynde my foure doughters unto such tyme as they shall come to mariages, and that my saide doughters shalbe counselled and rewled in takinge ther husbandes by the within named John Nevell and other his cofellos and Jane, my wif; and if my wif die before my saide iiij sonnes come to the adge of xvjth yeres and my doughters unmaried, that then my saide sones and doughters to be ordered and rewled by the saide John Nevell and his cofellos. Also I give the mariege of John Rawson, nowe beinge my warde and in my possession, to Agnes, the doughter of Dorothie Butler, nowe the wief of James Wadington. Thes beinge witnesses, Miles Harteley, prest, Thomas Clapham, Adam Wright and John Cowr.

[Proved 3 June, 1545.]

CLXXVI. THE WILL OF RALPH BIGOD, OF SEATON, GENTLEMAN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 293.]

In the name of God, Amen. The firste daie of Maij, in the yere of oure Lorde God a thousand five hundreth fortie

and five, I, Raufe Bigod,* of Seeton, in the countie of Yorke, gentleman, of hool mynde and perfite remembrance, doithe ordans, constitute and maike this my laste will and testament in manner and forme followenge. First I give my soule to God Almightie the maker thereof, and to oure blissid ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Hinderwell or els where it shall please God to call me to his mercie and graice. Also I give for my mortuarie accordinge to the lawes of the realme, to the Sacrament of the alter for my forgotten tithes and oblacions xx s.; to Sir James Marshall, curate at the saide churche of Hinderwell, vj s. viij d.; to Sir John Sandie, preste of the chapell at Ellerbie, vj s. viij d.; to Sir Henrie Colson, preste at Liethe, vj s. viij d.; to Sir Roberte Myers, curaite at Liethe, vj s. viij d. Also I give xx s. to be distribute in almes amonges the poore people within the parishinge of Hinderwell at the discrecon of myne executores. Also I give twoo pairtes of my mannor of Eginton in the countie of Darbie, and twoo partes of all my messuages, lands within the towne and lordshipe of Eginton to my nephue, Rauf Bigod, of Mulgrave, esquier, to have and to holde the said two pairtes to the saide Rauf and to his heires, and for defalte of suche isshue to remayne to my neice, Dorothie Bigod, and to the heires of hir bodie lawfully begotten, and for defalte of suche isshue to remaine to Dame Katerine Bigod, widue, my suster in lawe, and to the heires of her bodie, and for defalte of suche ishue to Robert Bigod, of Stotfolde, within the countie of Durham, and to his heires for ever. Also I give to the saide Rauf Bigod and Dorothie Bigod and to their assignes all my tearme of yeres that I have opon the moitie or half pairte of the mannor of Dighton, in the countie of Yorke, whiche I had of the gifte and graunte of Sir James Strangewaies, knighte, late disceased; also all my tithe that I have of and in Seton and Mynskippe, in the countie of Yorke, provided alwaie that the said Rauf and Dorothie and their assignes shall paie yerelye to Sir John Pykeringe, prest, duringe his life naturall five poundes sterlinge furthe of the moytie of the said manner, landes and tenementes of Dighton aforesaid, at twoo termes in the yere, that is to saie, at the feast of Sancte Michaell tharchangell, and the Annunciacon of oure blissid

* Son of Sir John Bigod, and Joan, daughter of Sir James Strangewayes, and brother of Sir Francis Bigod, attainted for his share in the Pilgrimage of Grace. His nephew, Ralph, died without issue, and his neice, Dorothy, having married Roger Radclyffe, carried the Mulgrave estates into that family.

ladie by even porcons. Also I will that the saide Rauf and Dorithie paie yerlie to Henrie Sunley and John Tompson, my servauntes, five markes sterlinge, that is to saie, to aither of them xxxiij s. iiij d. duringe their lifes naturall, goinge furthe of the said moitie of the mannor, landes of Dighton, also to everie of my servauntes at Seeton on halfe yere waiges. Also to Henrie Bygod, of Barton, one cloithe cape withe a broche of golde uppon it. Also I give Antonye Bigod, of Barton, one cloithe gowne furred with foxe, also to the foresaid Roberte Bigod my velvette cappe withe a broche of golde opon it. To Elisabeth Swington, of Ramessey, xx s. To Jane Bulmer, of Bulmer, xx s. To Rauf Dowson, my godson, one cowe withe calfe. The residue of all my goodes and cattales I give to Dame Katerine Bygod, widue, Rauf Bigod, my neveye, and Dorothie Bigod, my neice, whom I make myne executores. Also I make William Bigod and Robert Trustrome, of Gisburne, supervisors. Also I give them for theire paynes and laboure five poundes sterlinge. Thies beinge witnesses, Sir Richarde Starre, clerke, Robert Trustrame, William Netherwoode, and other. Also I will thies legacies and bequestes in this scedulle shalbe annexed to my last will. I give to everie one of my sustures servauntes at Mullegrave, as well men and women, iij s. iiij d.; also I give to my nawnte Warrayn the graie horse whiche I had of her if he goo streght, and if he goo not streyghte, then she to have the white amblinge mere whiche I had of Maister Baites, and she to give to myn executores my ringe of golde enambeled withe blacke letters. Also I will xxiij s. iiij d. to be distributed in almes amonges poore people at Lithe Churche the daie of my buriall. Also I give to Dorothie Wicliff, Isabell Chawmer and Anne Chawmer a cowe with calfe. To Thomas Pykeringe, my servaunte, all my lease that I have of sexe oxegange of lande in Hinderwell belonginge to the laite monasterie of Whitbie; also to Henrie Sonnelly and John Tompson, my servauntes, xiij s. iiij d. by yere duringe theire lives. To Maister Henrie Stafforde a graie geldinge called Graie Jeffrason. Provided alwaies that if it fortonne the saide Dorothie Bigod to marrie and taike a husbande that then and from that tyme all suche gifte as I have maide to her of the moitie of the mannor, landes of Dighton, and my tenement of Seeton and the tithe of Mynskippe be voide. Thies beinge witnesses, Sir John Pykeringe, prest, Robert Trustrame, John Tompson and other, at Mulgrave, the twelveth daie of Decembre, 1546.

[Proved 28 April, 1551.]

CLXXVII. TESTAMENTUM RICARDI UGDON, NUPER SERVUS (*sic*) DOMINI REGIS IN LEZ MYNTE EBOR. DEFUNCTE.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 29]

May 8, 1545. Richarde Ugdon, servaunte to the kinge, oure soveraigne lorde. First I bequeathe and recommende my soull to Almightie God, my maker and redemer, to his most gloriouse mother, oure ladie, sancte Marie the virgyne, and to all tholie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in Christen buriall wher it shall please Almightie God for it to dispose. I bequeath v markes towardes maydyns mariages in the parishe of Herthill, in the countie of Yorke, to be distributed by the descressions of my executors; and other v markes towardes the amendinge of the highe wayes of the same parishe, wher moste nede is. To Agnes Powell, the wif of Davide Powell, xx s. To Richarde Oliver and to Johan his wif, iche of theme, a blake gowne of v s. a yerde. I bequeath towardes mayden mariages of the Towre of London, Allhalowen, Barkynge, and Sancte Dunstons in the Este, v markes. I bequeath xl s. to be given to power maydyns' mariages at lardge, by the discretions of my executors. To one honest preste to singe and pray for my soull and all Christen soules in Herthill churche, by the spacie of one yere next ensewinge my decese, vj li. To an other honeste preste to singe and pray for my soull, the soull of William Dicheborne, and all Christen soules, in Sancte Peter's Church within the Towre of London, duringe the spacie of one half yere next ensewinge my decease, and I bequeathe to the saide preste for his salarie iij li. vj s. viij d. The residue I charge and will myne executors underwritten to dispose the same in dedes of mercie and pitie for the helth of my soull accordinge to ther discressions. And of this my present testament I make Umfray Wagstaf and Elisabeth, his wif, executors; and I bequeathe to the saide Umfraye for his labore in that behalf v li. in money, a blake gowne, and a rynge of golde with a cornell, and to the saide Elisabeth I bequeathe v li. in money, a blake gowne, and a ringe of golde with a turquays. And the oversear of the same my testament I make Roger Taliour, goldfyner, and I bequeath to hyme for his labore in that behalf xx s. in money, and a blake gowne of v s. the yerde, and to his wif a nether blake gowne. To Agnes Rogers, widue, a blake gowne and xx s. in money. To Katheryn, the wif of Richarde Hutton, a blake gowne.

RICHARDE UGDON.

To Thomas Stanley a blake gowne of vj s. a yerde and xx s. in money. To Mr. Gale, tresaurare, a blake gowne, and a nother to my ladie, his wif. To Mr. Lee, paymaister, a blake gowne. To my cosynge Myrfyne a blake gowne. To Dorithie Gale, Mr. Tresaurer doughter, a blake gowne. To William Mariet, coyner, a blake gowne. To John Innolde, my servaunte, a blake gowne. To Mr. Higges a blake gowne. I forgive all the dettes whiche William Higges owethe me. Also I will that my bodie be buried within the parishe Churche of the Trinitie, in the citie of Yorke, within Goderome gate. To John Aire, my kynseman, a vestement, the vestment to be geven to the parishe churche of Harthill in Yorkeshier. I forgive John Rogers a marke. To Studley for to drinke emonge his fellos and to pray for me xx d. I forgive William Phyps, porter of the Towre, xx s. I forgive Margarett, that selleth apples, v s. All these thinges I knowledge to be my last will and testament and to be fulfilled, and for the more sewrtie I have setto my seal the xxj daye of Maye in the yere aforsaide. Witnesses, Mr. Gale,* tresurer of the mynte of Yorke, Richarde Lee, assayer, William Myrfyne, fyner ther, and Sir Edmunde Alan, curate of the parishe Churche of the Trinitie. And I desier my cosyn Wagstaf to be goode unto all power people that owe me money, and to forgive theme that be not able to paye. To Arthure Heron, my servaunte, xx s. To John Innolde, my servaunte, xx s. Item a russett velvett dublett to Higges. To Richarde Lee my foxe furred gowne. To my cosyn Myrfyn wif xx s. To Mr. Gale my blake velvett dublett. To William Myrfyn a velvett jerkyn and a sattan dublett. To Mr. Gale is servauntes, both men and women, xls. emonges theme. To Sir Edmunde, my ghostlie father, a blake gowne. Witnesses at the same, the forsaide Mr. Gale, tresaurer, Richarde Lee, assayer, William Myrfyn, fyner, and Sir Edmunde Allan, curate, and James Robert, Myles Cooke, and Oswalde Chamber.

[Proved 18 June, 1545, by Umfrey Wagstaf, of London.]

CLXXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMASINE BUSSEY, OF NEWSTEAD.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 306.]

May 20, 1545, 37 Henry viij. Thomassyne Bussie, widue, late wif of Edmunde Bussie, of Haydour, in the countie of Lyncolne, esquier. First I bequeath my soull unto Almightie

* Called, in the probate, George Gale, alderman of the City of York.

God, oure blissed ladie, and to all the celestiall company of heaven, my bodie to be buried within the parishe church wher it shall chaunce me to departe. Also I give for my mortuarie as the lawe and custome is. Also I will that opon the day of my buriall, my seventh day, and the thirtie day, be bestowed vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To my nevie, Sir John Biron, and to my ladie, his wif, ij rynges, one havinge a dyamond, the other a rubie, and he to have the chose with a riall, and she the other with an awngell of golde. To my doughter, dame Elisabeth Meares, a rynge with a saphire. To my sone, Edwarde Bussie, a standinge cuppe with a cover of silver and gilte, and a crosse of golde with a diamonde and a cheyne of golde. To my doughter, his wif, my damaske froke. To my doughter, Jane Eyton, a Sancte Andros crose of golde with iij rubyes and ij perles and a cheyne. To my doughter, Denham, a crose of golde with fyve diamondes and thre pendant perles. To Frauncys Molyneux a flower of golde diverslie enamelyde, with a rubie, a saphire, lupe and a perle. To Marie Molyneux, his suster, a pomander of golde sett with thre diamondes, ij rubyes, vj perles hanginge at a chayne of golde. To John Bussy a Sancte Anthonys crose of golde with a bell. To Elisabeth, his suster, a corse of golde wire with a grett buckill and a pendant. To Edmunde Bussie, ther brother, a litle chayne of golde with towe agglettes of golde. To Katheryne Bussie, ther suster, the secunde corse with buckell and pendante. To ther towe other brethren xx s. a pece. To my doughter Etons ij sonnes xx s. a pece. To here ij doughters iiij markes a pece. To Edwarde Bifelde a floure of golde with a rubie, a saphire and a perle. To my doughter Denham children xx s. To my doughter Rowys children xl s. To Francys Byfelde xiij li. vj s. viij d. To Dorithie Eton the thirde corse with buckill and pendant. To Edwarde Byfeldes ij brethren iiij markes a pece. To Haydour Church vj s. viij d. Item for one obite ther to vj prestes, ij clerkes and power folkes of Haydour holl parish, xx s., after the discression of my executrix. To the rynger xij d. To prest to singe for me and my frendes one yere v li. If my goodes do excede my forsaid bequestes, all the excesse and surplus I give to my doughter, dame Elisabeth Meares, whome I make my executrix. Witnesses, Sir John Biron, knyght, William Townrowe, Sir William Paycoke, preste, and Sir John Daveson, preste, with other moo.

[Proved 5 May, 1547.]

CLXXIX. THE WILL OF WILLIAM THORNTON, OF NEWTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 47.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxviijth daye of Maye, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1545, I, William Thornton, of Newton, of goode will and goode remembrance, makes this my last will. First I bequeith my soull to God Almightie, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of the blissed Trinitie of Stayngrave. Item I give to Robert Thornton, my sone, one whit geldinge, and to Margerie, his wif, my gray amblynge mare. Item I give to John Thornton, my sone, iiij kie. I give to Margaret Farfax, the doughter of Guye Farfax, iij kie and xv gymber hogges. Item I give to the churche warkes x s. Item I give to the hie altare ij s. Item I give to Elisabethe Welborne and to Elisabeth Hudson, either of theme, one quye stirke. Item I give to Thomas Thornton, my brother, one cowe with a calf. Item I give to Sir William Lawson, my curate, v s. Item I give to every one of Robert Thornton children, Guye Farfax children, Thomas Metham children, every one of theme, one gymber hoge. And I make my executors Robert Thornton, Frances Thornton and Leonarde Wildon, and they to have ther coste borne in that behalf. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paide, my legacies fulfilled and funerall expenses discharged, I give to my sex children, that is to saye, Anne Farefax, William Thornton, Gregorie Thornton, Edwarde Thornton, Dorothie Thornton, and Margaret Thornton. Thes beinge witnesses, Georgie Thwynge, of Hemylsaye, esquier, and Sir William Lawson, prest.

[Proved 22 August, 1545.]

CLXXX. THE WILL OF JOHN BARRY, OF TOLLERTON, ESQ.*

[Reg. Test. xiii. 157*b*.]

Auguste 30, 37 Henry viij (1545). I, John Berrey, esquier, of the parishe of Torlaston, in the countie of Nottingeham, seke of bodie and hooll of mynde, maike my testament and last will in forme followinge. Firste I do bequeathe my soule to Almightie God and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the chauncell of the

* This family settled at Tollerton or Torlaston, in Nottinghamshire, in the reign of King Stephen. Finally the last of the Barrys (Maud) married Richard Pendock, son of William Pendock, of Gotherton, co. Gloucester, in the time of Elizabeth, and the Pendocks remained at Tollerton about 200 years, when they also became extinct. A pedigree of the family is given in Thoroton's *History of Notts* (1677), p. 85.

churche of Sancte Peter in the parishe of Torlaston. Also my mortuarie to be paide after the statues. Also I do give to the highe alter of the churche of Torlaston xij d. To Agnes Awsoppe my best cowe, too calves, a coverlett, a blankett, asmoche yerne to maike a paire of shetes and a table cloithe. To Henrie de Hekey (*sic*) my blake geldinge. To Thomas de lee Hey my blake coote and my grene cote. To Henrie Pighte my marbell colered cote, my new jerkyne and all my horses geyres. To Humfray Conwey too quarters of pease, halfe a quarter of wheate, and my swerde. To litle Agnes, my servaunte, my grate cupborde. To Marjerie, my servaunte, a mattres. To Thomas de lee Hey, the yonger, my best hoise. To Sir Robert Hampton, prest, my beste sherte. To my godson, Power, my best cappe, my hatte, and a silver spoone. To the churche of Torlaston yerly all my chief rent unto the tyme my heeres be maried. To George Crane my greate brasse pan. To Elizabeth Walles a brasse pan. To Isabell Seppe, my wife's god doughter, one strike of wheate, too strike of barlie, and one strike of pease. To Thomas, my servaunte, a litle brasse potte and my olde hoise. To my godson, John Nedam, a good silver spoone. To Michaell Huchynson one hollow pewder baisen. To Michaell Cowper a basen and an ewre. The residue of my goodes, as landes and other thinges, I doo putte into the handes of Mr. Fitherbert and Mr. Molyneux, serjaunte, the whiche conjunction I do maike my hooll executoures of this my laste will to dispoise of my goodes to the payment of my dettes, my servauntes waigies, and as they thinke best for the welth of my soule, and to se for my children, they to have severally vj s. viij d. Witnes herof, Nicolas Leson, Michaell Cowper, Thomas de le Hey, George Crane, Sir Robert Hampton, Bachelor of Divynytie and curaite of the churche, with many other moo.

[Proved 20 May, 1546.]

CLXXXI. THE WILL OF THOMAS BOSVILE, OF CONISBOROUGH, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii, 90.]

In the name of God, Amen. The neynth daie of Octobre, in the yere of oure lorde God, 1545, I, Thomas Bosewell,* of Conysburghe, gentleman, beinge of hooll mynde and good remembrance, ordans and maikes this my testament. First

* According to Mr. Hunter he was son of Richard Bosvile, of Conisborough, by Alice Bosvile, of Chevet or Gunthwaite. He married first Elizabeth Fitzwilliam, by whom he had a daughter Jane, who married John Waterhouse, of Halifax, and carried the property into that family. The arms of Bosvile, quartered by Waterhouse, are still in the window at Shibden Hall. The testator

I bequeath my soule to God Almightie, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heven, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Conysburghe before Sancte Lawrence alter. Item I bequeathe to the sacrament for discharge of my consciance for negligence of tiethe xij d. Item I bequeathe x s. to a prest to singe a certen messes for my saule and all Christen saules. To my suster, Isabell Bossewell, iij li. vj s. viij d. to bie hir rayment suche as be necessarie for hir, and that iij li. vj s. viij d. to remayne in the handes of Nicholas Drabill, and he to bie hir rayment for terme of hir life; and yf it fortune my said suster to overlyve the said Nicholes Drabill, then I will that the rest of the said iij li. vj s. viij d. remayne in the handes of Edmunde Herrison, and he to bie hir rayment in like maner. Item I bequeathe to every one of my godchildren iiij d.; to Sir George Bossewell, my brother, my chambelett jackett and my blacke hoise; to John Waterhouse, my sone in lawe, one yocke of oxen, the one called Lemynge and the other Burnett, whiche I covenant to leve by indenture. Item I bequeath to my fower servauntes beinge with me at the daie of my buriall, to everie one of theme, xij d.; to Nicholes Birtrike xvj d. I will there bee too candlestickes of latinge bought of vj s. viij d. to stande opon my herse, and too seargies of waxe opon one hoolle yere after my decease, and at the yeres ende then I will that the saide candlestickes remayne to the hie alter in Conisburgh for ever. The reste of my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, my dettes, legacies and funeralles paid, I give frelie to Johan, my wife, whome I maike my full executrixe. Thes be witnes, Robert Lepton, of Thursbe, Nicholas Drabill, Gilbert Gledehell, Edmunde Ambre, and Sir Richard Shippyne, vicar of Conysburghe.

[Proved 26 Oct., 1545, by the executrix.]

CLXXXII. THE WILL OF RICHARD LISTER, OF HALIFAX.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 143.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The nenth daie of Januarij, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1545, and in the xxxviij yere of the reigne of oure soveraigne Lorde Henrie the eght, by

married secondly Jane Freston. His *Inquisitio* was taken 9 Oct., 37 Henry VIII. His grandfather's will is at York, 30 April, 1484. Richard Bossewell, of Connesburgh. To be buried in St. Peter's Church there. Daughter Alice £20. Daughter Katherine £20. Wife Alice and brother Edmund executors. Proved 5 Oct., 1484. His grandmother's will, 7 April, 1502. Ales Bossewell, Connesburgh. To be buried there. Nicholas, son, and daughter Katherine executors. Proved 11 Sept., 1502. She is said to have been a Vavasour of Denaby. His uncle Edmund Bosvile's will. 12 July, 1507. Edmund Boswell, par. Connesburgh, clerk. To Jane Vescy £3 6s. 8d. Brother Nicholas executor. Proved 4 Oct., 1507.

the graice of God, Kinge of England, Fraunce and Irelande, defender of the faithe and in earthe of the Churche of Englande and Irelande the supreme heade, I, Richard Lister,* of Hallifaxe, of hool mynde and perfite remembraunce, maikes my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge. First I bequeathe my soule to God Almightie, and to our blissed ladie, and to all the Sanctes of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of Sancte John Baptist or in the churche yerde. Also I bequeath to the vicar of the same churche suche parte of my goodes in the name of my mortuarie as in that caise ys provided by the statutes of Englande. Also I give and bequeath to Elisabeth, my wif, after my dettes, funerall expenses paid and done, her lawfull pairte and porcon of all my goodes and cattalles after the lawdable custome of Englande. The residue of all my goodes I give to Sibill and Effame, my doughters, the whiche saide Sybell and Effame with the said Elisabeth, my wif, I ordaine and maike my executrices of this my laste will and testament, well and trulie to execute the same as before is said. In witnes whereof I have caused this my present will and testament to be written, and there opon have maid my crosse and marke with my owne hande the daie and yeare above written. Thies witness, Richard Brigge, Henry Waddesworthe, Robert Barstow, Thomas Michell, with other.

[Proved 13 May, 1546.]

CLXXXIII. THE WILL OF ISABEL STAPLETON, OF WATH.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 116.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xjth daie of Januarie, the yere of oure Lorde God, 1545, I, Isabell Stapilton,† laite wife of Lancelot Stapilton, of Waithe, widue, of hoole mynd and perfite remembrance, doo ordane my last will. First I bequeathe my soule to God Almightie, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche earthe of Hovingham, beside Lancelote, my saide husbande. Also I bequeathe for my mortuarie as the custome doithe require. Also I will that there be one obite done at the daie of my buriall, and [illegible] beinge theire present to have vj d. to pray for my soule and every parishe clerke to have ij d. Also I [illegible] to the churche of Hovingham vj s. viij d., to the [illegible] parsonet tippett to maike an ornament for

[illegible] of Shibden Hall.

[illegible] of Wath, whose will has been given in this [illegible]

the blissed sacrament to hange over the alter; also to the churche of Gillinge one blake sarcenett tippett to make an ornayment in like manner. Also to my brother, Robert Jennyson, iij li. vj s. viij d. in cattell and pennyworthe; also to my suster, Jennett Nesse, twoo kie or els xx s.; also to Margarete Hike the fedder bedde I lye opon, with all that therto belonges, excepte the mantill; also to the saide Margarett one borde cloith of lyne of iiij yerdes; also to William Hike too stottes, or els xxiiij s.; also to Peter Hike too stottes, whiche he haithe in his handes; also to Christopher Hike the too stottes whiche he haithe in his handes; to Kateren Hike one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Agnes Hodgeson one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Margarete Hike, doughter to Katerine Hike, one stirke, or els ij s. iiij d.; to Raufe Nesse one whie and one fillie, or els xx s.; to Robert Gossell wife one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Jennett Brodlie one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Agnes Chapman one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Robert Foster one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Peter Foster one stirke, or vj s. viij d.; to Lancelote Foxe one stirke, or els vj s. viij d.; to Edmunde Dowe too quies, or els xiij s. iiij d.; to Alison Grene, my servaunte, one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Barnarde Foster one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Alison Brygham, suster to Edmonde Dowe, one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Lancelote Browne one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Isabell Dowe one caldron whiche was Edmonde Dowes, her faither; to Isabell Bossell one bede, and one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Petronill Rombold one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Isabell Cowper one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Jennett Newbyginge one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to William Mortemer viij d.; to William Hoggell xx d.; to Agnes Cokkerell iiij d.; to Agnes Person one peticote of white, one smokke and kirchife, one cap, or els a hoode and a calfe, or els ij s.; to Isabell Harison my weddinge gowne and fyve markes money; to Margarete Hike my gowne bounde withe cremisine velvett, and to the said Margarett too kie, or els xx s.; also to my suster, Jennett Nesse, the thirde gowne; to Christofer Jennyson wife a blacke gowne bounde withe blacke velvett; to Jennyson one quie, one fillie, and xx s. in money; to Richarde Hik the bed that he liethe opon, and one maser; to Thomas Jennyson wife, called Meriall, one chamblett kirtill and vj s. viij d.; to Williame, John and Robert Jennyson, childer of Christofer Jennyson, to everie of theme x s.; to Isabel, their suster, xxxvj s. iiij d.; to Sir Henrie Cawton vj s. viij d.; to William Knapton and Lancelott, his sone, to aither of theme xij d.; to Richarde Haistinges iij s. iiij d.; to Edmonde Jennyson one quie, or els vj s. viij d.; to Thomas

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Englande and Irelande the supre[illegible]
of Hallifaxe, of hool myude and
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blissed ladie, and to all the
bodie to be buried in the
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the same churche suche p[illegible]
my mortuarie as in that
of Englande. Also I give
wif, after my dettes, funer[illegible]
lawfull pairte and percon[illegible]
after the lawdable custo[illegible]
my goodes I give to Sir[illegible]
whiche saide Sybell and
wif, I ordaine and make
will and testament,
before is said. In
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daie and yeare abo[illegible]
Henry Waddesw[illegible]
other.

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[illegible] Mr. John Jennyson
[illegible]; to Christofer
[illegible] in Litle Toklaye
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[illegible] maire, or a white
[illegible] the better, and to
[illegible] with curtens, also
[illegible] my brother,
[illegible] the said Mr.
[illegible] is in a chiste
[illegible]. The residue
[illegible] Master John Christofer
[illegible] I make my full
[illegible] Henry Cawton, curate
[illegible] and Richarde Haistinges.

[illegible] TESTAMENT OF GAWTHORP.

[illegible] 89.)

In the yere of our lorde
[illegible], in the xxxvij yere of
[illegible] by the grace of God
[illegible] Irelande, defendor of the
[illegible] Englande and Irelande
[illegible] of Gawkethorpe,
[illegible] perfite memorie, make
[illegible] and bequethe
[illegible] Sancte Marie, and all
[illegible] to be buried in my
[illegible] side where my
[illegible] goodes to the settinge
[illegible] over my grave.
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CLXXXIII. THE [illegible]

In the name [illegible]
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wife of Lancelo[illegible]
and perfite re[illegible]
bequeathe my [illegible]
Sancte Mari[illegible]
my bodie to [illegible]
beside La[illegible]
my mor[illegible]
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and my auncesters have by longe space heretofore of devotion geffen to every of the sexe chauntrie prestes in Harwod vj s. viij d. for sundrye obites doinge for the soulles of divers my auncestors on suche days as thei heretofore have accustomed, and also for the roode masse singinge everye Friday in the cherche there, nowe to the intente that the said chauntry prestes shall likwise do an obite every yere the same day it shall please God to taike me out of this present life, and also contenewe the said rode masse singinge, I will that my executors contenewe and pay the laite vij s. viij d. to everye of the said chauntrye preistes of the proffettes of a lease which I have in Wyke of the laite priorie of Synnenthwaite, so longe as my yeres in the said lease endure if the said chaunteres so long contynewe. Item I will that Dame Briget, my wife, have the manor of Thorparche with the members y^r^to belonginge for terme of hir life, accordinge to hir assurance therof maid, in as ample and large maner as I have the same excepted and reserved for the jointer of my wife in the last covenantes betwixte my sonne, Sir William, and me. The residue of my goodes after my dettes paid I give to Dame Brigette, my wife, whome I ordeyne and make my hole executrixe. In wittenes whereof to this my presente will I have putte my seale of harmes and subscribed my name the day and yere afforsaid. Witnesses hereof, William Tankard, Ric. Yaxley, Percivall Walkar, clerke, Ric. Gye and Chrystofer Marshall.

[Proved 23 March, 1551-2.]

CLXXXV. THE WILL OF THOMAS CONSTABLE, OF NEW MALTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 130.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xiij daie of Februarij, in the yere of our lorde God, 1545, I, Thomas Constable, of New Malton, gentleman, settes and orders my last will. First I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God that bought it, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of oure ladie in Olde Malton, or els where it shall please Almightie God. Item I bequeathe for my mortuarie accordinge to the lawdable custome of the churche. I give to the reparellinge of my parishe churche, in olde Malton, vj s. viij d.; to the reparellinge of Sancte Leonarde chappell, iij s. iiij d.; to the churche at Birdsall, iij s. iiij d.; to the churche of Brompton, in Pyckeringe liethe, iij s. iiij d. I bequeathe amonge the pooer people in olde Malton and newe, xxiij s. iiij d.; to the pooer people in Birdesalle, iij s. iiij d.; to my curaite, Sir John

[illegible] and Agnes, his wife, [illegible] whereas I covenante [illegible] lands in [illegible] value [illegible] unpurchased xx s. value [illegible] purchase [illegible] Lynne [illegible] his [illegible] gave [illegible] Hanne [illegible] and [illegible] daughter, xl s.; and to Thomas [illegible] s.; and to Thomas Harwood [illegible] ii. vj s. viij d. towardes his [illegible] Harwood, his suster, wh[illegible] [illegible] wardes hir marie[illegible] [illegible] s. iiij d.; to everie one of my [illegible] children, iij s. iiij d.; to James [illegible] Seloo, iij s. iiij d.; to everie [illegible] auntes, viij d.; and to everie [illegible] all myne other goodes when [illegible] my wife, whome I maike [illegible] will. Witnesses, Sir John [illegible] rest, Ralfe Raisinge and John [illegible]

[illegible] March, 1546.]

[illegible]ANNE RAWSON, OF WAKEFIELD.

[illegible] xvi. 149.]

[illegible] The xxiiij daie of Marche, [illegible] a thousande fyve hundreth [illegible] gentlewoman, of good and [illegible] last will. First I bequeath [illegible] blissed ladie, and to all [illegible] bodie to be buried in the [illegible] Wakefelde before the crosse. [illegible] amonges poore people of the [illegible] at thre endes of the [illegible] give to fower of my susters [illegible] Richarde, Emmet and Jane, [illegible] withe my suster Torton in [illegible] susters all my rayment [illegible] icootes, and my eldest [illegible] bequest to my suster [illegible] a paire of shetes and [illegible] a fustian kirtill, a [illegible] my maistrice maide, a [illegible] withe stockes, and in [illegible] mas Wentworthe childer [illegible] of his servaunts, iiij d.;

the prest at Bretton haull, to praie for me, xij d. Item the reste of all my goodes, my funerall expenses maid and paid, I bequest to Christofer Torton, my brother in lawe, whome I make my sole executor, and Maister John Pecke, of Waikefelde, gentleman, and Thomas Garnet, clerke, supervisoures of the same, and aither of thame to have iij s. iiij d. for ther paynes. Item I bequest a mortuarie as the lawe will. Witnesses herof, John Jakson, John Abbott and Richarde Welles.

[Proved 26 May, 1543.]

CLXXXVII. THE WILL OF ANTHONY ASKE, OF AUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 186.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvth daie of Maij, a thousande five hundrethe fortie and sixe, I, Maister Antony Aske,* sone unto John Aske, esquier, hoole of mynde and of good remembrance, maikes this my laste will. Firste I bequeathe my soule to God Almightie, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried where it shall please Almightie God. Also I give to the vicare of Aughton vj s. viij d. to praie for me, and to the clerke my blake iakket gairdid withe velvett and ij s.; also I give to the steple xl s. over and besides that that my father gave; also I give to my suster Cassander my brouche that I do were; also to my mother in lawe my blakke horse, and to Richarde Aske one quarter of barlie; also to my brother, Richarde Aske, my graie horse that I bought of Christofer Bayne; to John Clerke my blacke ierkynne and a tawney dublett; to Richarde, my servaunte, his hool yeres waiges and my blake iakett; also to Roberte Ricarde twentye shillinges, and I praie my wif to be good to hyme. Also I maike Mr. Babthorpe, of Osgodbie, the supervisour of my will. Also I praie hyme to be good to my wif, and I give hyme for his paynes taken vj s. viij d. Also the residue of my goodes not bequeathid I give to Elisabethe, my wife, and she to have all my bargannes that I have maide, that is, withe John Loste for barlie and oites, and also she to have the leade corne as longe as she goise, and also nyne quarters of corne, that is, foure and a half of barlie and fower and a halfe of hauer. Also I give Elisabethe, my wife, fower score pondes and ten, to be received at Dighton and at other places as it is assigned by my father's will; and also v li. of money of William Richardson, of Burnebie; and also xxxvij s. of Maister Gye

* A younger son of John Aske, Esq., whose will is printed No. CXLV.

Bakehouse, my mother a awe: also of Maistrese Elizabeth xviij shillings, and xvj s. of my suster Aske. Thies and all other my goodes moveable and unmoveable not bequeathed I give to Elizabethe, my wife, whome I make my sole executrix, and she to bringe me honestly to the grounde at the time of my burial. Thies beinge witnesses, Sir Robert Aske the vicar, Richarde Aske, William Sharperde, John Harte, Richarde Lancelott, with other moe, as Peter Lancaster.

Proved 3 July 1546.

XXXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS DENMAN, OF DRIFFIELD.

Reg. Test. xii. 606.

Aug. 12, 1546. Thomas Denman, of Driffield. First and before all thinges I committe my soul unto the handes of Almighte God, ladinge my full and perfite hope in his holie promesse in the blode of my savyor, Jesu Christe, the eternal heighe preste, which hath had the only sacrifice upon the crosse, onse for all, for the synnes of all the world, to have playne remissione, perfione and forgevenes of all my synnes, lone and committed against his holly majestie, either in will, word, thoughte or deede. I will also that my bodie returne into the earthe frome whence it came, and to be buried within the kirke yerde of the parishe churche of Driffield, and there to remeane unto the generall resurrectione. And as touchinge of my said faith and believe I give and bequeathe unto the common chiste, ordeined for the poore folkes of the parishe of Driffield, xx s., to be distributed amongst them at the day of my burial. To the common poore mans chiste at East Beverlay v s. viij d. To the poore inhabitantes of Moresgate to the same use xij d. To the poore folkes of West Beverlay to the same use v s. Similar bequests to the poore folke of Bainwithe and Mortone 12d., Kilnsea 16d., Garyastone 16d., Eppton 12d., and Denton 12d. To the repaiedinge of the Long Brigges in Driffield and towardes the maintenance of the kye wayes there, xiij s. viij d. To my neice, Nicholas Denman wife, a reade mantill; and to my owyn Rawfe Denman my best gowne. To my nevyo Richard Denman my gowne furred with lambe, and a jekyn of chamlet. To Gregory Dunston my dublet of ray. To Johanna Burley, doughter of Elsabeth Burley, a flockbe gowne, and to the said Elsabethe Burley vj s. viij d. To Thomas Burley, whom he cummyth to xxj yeres of age, xxx s., my koudall jacket, a dublet, a sherte, and a pare of hose. To every one of my god childer iiij d. Elsabeth

Wilson, my servaunt, iij li. vj s. viij d., a mattres, a pare of hempyn sheittes, too yalley coverlettes, the one new, the other olde. To Margery Coke, my servaunte, xx s. To John Robinsonne, of Wistawe, a jacket or vj s. viij d. in monye. To my ladie Hercye a gold rynge. To Elsabeth Dames a silver harnest gyrdle. To Elsabeth Wilson a pare of jeatt beades, with silver gawdies. To my nece, Richard Denman wife, a sylver ring gilted. To Cherrell Rompyll my best jacket. To Thomas Denman, son of Nichollas Denman, my swerd and buckler. I bequethe unto William Denman, sonne of the said Nichollas Denman, and to the heyers mayles of his bodye lawfully begotten, all my messuages, landes, &c., in West Retford, upon this condicione, that the said William Denman and his heiers males, and all other upon whome the said landes and tenementes hereafter ys intayled, shall yerely pay for evermore in the evyn of All Sanctes unto the curate of Ordsall for the tyme beinge iij s. iiij d. of yerely rente to the use of the poore folkes of the same parishe of Ordsall, to be distrybuted emongest theme by the discretione of the said curate and iiij of the most honest men of the said parishe. Remaynders to Fraunces Denman, Edmond Denman, and Thomas Denman, and their heiers males, reversione to Nicollas Denman and his heiers for ever. To Nicollas Denman, sonne of the saide Richard Denman, and to his heiers for ever, all my myddowe lyinge in Lodge Myddowe, within the parishe of Ordsall. To the said Richard Denman all my corne that he owith me, if that he without seute or denyall will truely paye that somme of money unto myne executors that he owith me by his obligacione. To Katheryne Stanley a crucifixe of sylver. To Eliz. Berrye a crucifixe of sylver, and vj s. viij d. in sylver. To Frances Denman, Edmunde Denman, Thomas Denman and Anne Denman, to every one of them, vj s. viij d. To Alexander, Robert and Anne Denman, children of the said Richarde Denman, and to every one of theme, vj s. viij d. To Margery Coke, my servaunte, a mattres that lyeth under my feither bed, a pare of hardyn sheittes, a coverlet, a pyllow, my least brase pot, too dublers and a candylstyke. To Elisabethe Brawne, my god doughter, a brasse pot of the myddle sort. Residue unto my welbiloved nevye, Gregory Dunston, and John Berrye, of Ordsall, whome I make my full executors of this my last will. Item I require my right worshipfull maister, Sir John Hercye, knyght, if yt wolde stande with his pleasour, to be supervisor herof, and I will that he shall have for his payns a masser howped with sylver and gylted. In witnes herof I have setto my hond and seall to this my last

will in the presence of Sir Edmunde Webster, preist, Thomas Eyre, Nichollas Jhonson, Roger Yonge, John Backhowse, Robert Chreye, and other moo.

[Proved 12 May, 1552.]

CLXXXIX. THE WILL OF THOMAS WENTWORTH, ESQ., OF WENTWORTH.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 483.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxj daie of Auguste, the yere of oure lorde God, 1546, I, Thomas Wentworthe,* of Wentworthe, esquier, of good mynde and hool remembrance, lovid be God Almightie, makithe this my last will. I bequeathe my soule unto Almightie God, my Creator and Redemer, and to his blissid mother our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of the Holie Trenitie in Wentworthe, in the quere of oure ladie where my father and mother haithe bene buried and other of my auncetores, and for my mortuarie accordinge to the lawe. To the hie alter for forgotten tithes ij s. iiij d. To the churche of Wentworthe for the beildinge of one yle, all the pillers withe the inbowinges thereof, withe all the other stone and costes of the saide pillers as they shall nede to the said ilinge, whiche I boughte of the kinges maiestres visitores at Burton grainge, of the north side of the churche. Also I bequeathe to William, my sone, a chales of silver, parcell gilted withe paten to the same, ij silver saltes, sixe silver spoones, too goblettes of silver withe coveringe to the same, ij silver cruettes, a fetherbed, a matres withe all the necessaries to the bed belonginge, also all the arelomes that my father left unto me, and ij passers that I maide, and all my harnes. Also I bequeathe to my brother George a gowne furrid withe lambe whiche is my nyghte gowne. Also to everie one of my men servauntes beinge in my service at the daie of my depairtinge to have a quarter waige over ther yere wagies. Also I will that all men and women that can clayme or chalenge or aske any dettes lawfully that they be paide of my proper gooddes. I give to every one of my godchildren being of my kin iij s. iiij d., and to the other [illegible] beinge of my kin xx d., and Godes blissinge and myne to praie for my soule. Also I will that one honeste prest

* Head of the great Wentworth family, being son of William Wentworth, [illegible] Wentworth, by Isabel, daughter of Sir Richard Fitzwilliam, of Aldwark. He married Beatrix, daughter of Sir Richard Woodruffe, of Woolley. His [illegible] monumental inscription is still in Wentworth Church, and it states that he died [illegible] William, his eldest son, only enjoyed the estates a few months, [illegible] July, 1549, being ancestor of the great Earl of Strafford. From [illegible], the younger son, descended the Wentworths of Woolley.

and well disposed singe messe for my saule at the alter of oure ladie in the chappell of Wentworthe by one hooll yere nexte after my decease, and for his salarie he to have seven markes for that yere to praie for me and my ancetores saulles and all Christen soulles if the lawe will permit it, or els to be bestowed of the power at the discrecione of myn executoures, and I will also my dettes owinge unto me go to the painge of my dettes and to myne executoures. Also I give to Thomas Wirrall and Beatrixe, his wif, fower oxen, ij kie, when they goo to kepe housse, or els nowe. To my sone, Mychaell, my best horse. To my doughter, Elsabeth Denman, a cowe. The rest of my goodes I give to Beatrixe Wentworthe, my wif, and to Thomas Wentworthe, my sone, whome I maik my full executores. Also I desier Sir Henrie Sayvell and Michaell Wentworthe, my sone, one of the maisters of the kinges maistres household, to be supervisores of this my last will, and if they be putto any paynes, to have their chargies of my goodes. Also I give to my sone my best gowne. In witnes hereof I have subscribed my nayme withe my owen hande.

[Proved 8 March, 1548–9.]

CXC. THE WILL OF JOHN FITZWILLIAM, OF BRAYTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 214.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvijth day of Septembre, 1546, I, Maister John Fewilliam, of Brayton, of a holl mynde and goode remembrance, not seke, doth make this my last will. First I bequeath my soull to God Almightie, to our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie companye of heaven, and my bodie to be buried wher it shall please God to call opon me, and also I bequeathe to Elisabeth, my wif, all my goodes that I have, which I make my executrix, to bringe uppe my children so fare forthe as it will extende, and to dispose it as she shall thinke most expedient and proffitable for theme, and here for to bere recorde of this, Mr. Thomas Metham, Brian Allan, Robert Elcoke and Robert Waldinge, Sir Thomas Mansell, vicare of Brayton, Sir William Thomason, curate, William Clarke.

[Proved 30 Sept., 1546.]

CXCI. THE WILL OF THOMAS LUTTON, OF KNAPTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 227.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxviij daie of Septembre, in the yere of our lorde God a thousande five hundrethe and fortie sixe, I, Thomas Lutton,* of the towne of Knapton,

* He seems to head the pedigree in Glover's *Visitation* (p. 172, Foster Ed.). His son Ralph succeeded him, and his will is at York, dated 1557

in the parishe of Wintringeham, of hooll and good mynde, make my testament in this manner. Firste I bequeathe my soule to God Almightie, my maker and redemer, and to our ladie Sancte Marie, and all the Sanctes of God to praie for me, my bodie to be buried in my parishe churche of Sancte Peter in Wintringeham before oure ladie of petie where my mother doith lie. Item I bequeathe to the Sacrament of the alter of Sancte Peter at Wintringham for tithes forgotten v s. To the bodie of the churche iij s. iiij d. and that that is behinde of oure ladie gilde. Item I bequeathe to Alice, my wife, the thirde of my landes. I will that my sone, Ralf Lutton, shall have all my landes in Lutton and Hungaite. To my doughter, Marie, all my shepe goinge at Newton. Item I will that George, my sone, shall have seven nobles in Birdesall duringe his lif; and the residue of my lande in Birdesall and Knapton to my twoo childer, William and John, whiche was the purchased lande of Maister Metcalfe, duringe theire lives. Item I will that my brother, Robert, and my nephewe, Foster, receave yerlie x li. of my landes in Yarome, and all my landes in Rillingeton, and all my landes in Catefosse, Sprotley and Witon in Holdernes, and all my landes in Flaymebroughe to the mariedge of my fower doughters, to everie one of them to thaire mariedge fortie markes, and the foresaide some paide, the landes to remaine unto myne heire. Item I bequeathe to my sone, Ralf, my best gowne, the best iakket; to George the nexte best gowne and my best dublett; to William the nexte gowne, the nexte dublett and my blewe cassacke; to John, my sone, nexte gowne, next dublett and a iackett gardid withe velvett. Item I bequeathe to the Chapell of Sancte Edmunde in Knapton vj s. viij d. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, I maike my wif, Alice Lutton, and her thre doughters withe her, Anne, Margerie and Elisabeth, my lawefull executrices of this my laste will. I desire Maister Cayve, my sones Rauf maister, to be the supervisor of this my will, and to se that my wif have her righte and all her childer, and to be good maister to my son Raulf, and to helpe hyme in his righte cawses, and for his paynes takynge I give hyme my beste reede soril horse. To John Lepington a quie of iij yeres olde. The witnesses of this my will makinge, Sir William Talior, my curate, Roberte Lutton, Thomas Grindall, Leonard Clewe, William Foster. Also I bequeathe that my wif have my manor of Knapton duringe her widoweheade to bringe up her childer witheall, and to stande as a parcell of her thirdes.

[Proved 29 Oct., 1546, by the relict.]

CXCII. THE WILL OF PETER MIDDLETON, OF LINCOLN'S INN, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 189.]

16 Nov., 1545. I, Peter Midleton, of Lyncolns Ynne, gentleman, being seike in bodie but hoole in mynde, do make this my last will. Firste I bequeath my soule to the infynite mercie of Almightie God, havynge firme hoope and confidence throughe the gloriouse merites of his most blissid passion to obtaine full remission of my synnes, and finally throughe the same to have the fruycon of his godheade in heven. I bequeathe my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche where it shall please God that I shall departe oute of this transitorie lyf, accordinge to the ordenance of the churche, withoute any pompe or ceremonyall solemnyties. I bequeathe to my fader too of my beste meares and my stonde horse goinge at Thorneton house grainge, hym to taike no fyne of the tenantes of Hopton till nyne yeres be past. Also I desire my eldest brother and my nevewe, John, his sone, if the lands descende to aither of them within the said nyne yeres, to tayke no garsoms nor fynes unto the saide nyne yeres be paste, and if in case that they notwithstandinge this my desire do receave any fynes or garsomes, then I will my executours paie unto them all such money as they paid and an noble moore to the said tenantes of Hopton. I give to my eldest brother and my said nevew, John, his son, my lease of Talentyre, in the countie of Combarlande, condicionally that they give yerlie duringe my ladie Ratclife lif unto hir the rent reseived ther appon, and in case my wif prove to be withe childe then I will she have iiij li. yerlie oute of the lease of Talentyre to the use of the childe duringe the lyf of the saide ladie Ratclif. Also I will that my wif and my childe, yf she be with childe, have my lease of Thorneton house. . . . . I give to my nece, Dorothye Yrton, a frontlet of golde whiche was hir mothers. To Richarde Yrton, my godsone, and his brother, Christopher, and Isabell, their suster, all my goodes at Yrton, and in the custodie of John Lamploughe, of Lamplowghe, gentleman. Also I give to my saide nevew, John, my signet of golde. To my cosinge, Dorothie Yrton, xxxij li. xij s. vj d. for rent receavid of the manner of Yrton to hir use, besides fyve pounde chargid of me as I suppoise. I will that William Lambert, my servante, William Malson and Edwarde Walker, whiche doithe occupie the demayne of Yrton, do paie ten poundes to the feodarie of Combrelande for my farme of Yrton due at Witsontide and Martynmes late past, and I will that they paie the reste of my farme to my executures. Also I will that the tenantes whiche occupied the demaynes

of Yrton the last yere paye eghte pounde remaynynge in their handes to Sir Robert Stapleton, of Wighill, knighte, to the use of the said Christofer and Elisabeth, his suster. I will that where the right honorable my verey goode lorde and maister, tharchebushope of Canterbury, standithe bounden unto me by too his severall billes assignid withe his owne hande for the payment of xxxvij li. xv s., that my executores do deliver the said too billes to his graice is handes, so that his graice do discharge my executures agaynst my ladie Conyers and all other for my receptes of the manner of Eston, whiche my truste is his graice will doo. . . . . Also if my wif will let and suffer my brother Thomas to have all suche landes as he of his gentillnes haithe maide estaite of to hir and me for tearme of oure lyves for the rente of fyve pounde yerlie, then I will hyme to asure unto hir yerlie twentie shillinges oute of the lease of Talentire duringe the lif of my said ladie Ratclif, and if my wif be with childe then I will that Edmunde Smythe, my servaunte, doo paie to my fader and my eldest brother, and to my nevew, John, his sone, and to my brother Caverley, or to one of them, to the use of the saide childe fower scoore and ten poundes whiche the said Edmunde doithe owe me for all my beastes and shepe at Asheby; and in case my wif do not prove withe childe then I will that the said money be paide to myne executures, whereof I will that they do distribute ten poundes emonges poore folkes as they shall thinke beste, and of the residue of the said fower score and ten poundes so paide I give to my saide eldest brother, Thomas, and to my saide nevew, John. I give to my cosinge, Michaell Wandesforde, fortie shillinges, desiringe hyme to be of counsell withe my wif in all hir cawses; and also I give to William West, of Clementes Ynne, fortie shillinges; to John Salven, of Lyncoln ynne, fortie shillinges; to Elisabethe Arthington, my cosinge, fower markes, and I will that my wif do kepe the sayde Elisabeth unto the tyme she may obteyne her faders good will withe oute gyvinge her other wagies. To my godsones, Walter Caluerley and Peter Claphame, aither of them, a yonge horse. To Thomas, my yonger brother, my gowne tawney chamblett furred . . . . . The residue of my goodes to Ellinor, my well belovid wif, whome I make executrixe to geder withe Thomas Midleton, my eldeste broder, and my nevew, John, his son, desiringe Sir William Midleton, my fader, and my brother, Maister William Caverley, and my brother, James Rokebie, to be supervisoures of this my laste will.

[Proved 23 July, 1546.]

CXCIII. THE WILL OF JENNETT BREREY, OF YORK, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 304*b*.]

Nov. 25, 1546. Jennett Brerey, of the parishe of Sancte Ellyne, in Stangaite, in the citie of Yorke, widue. My bodie to be buried within the hie qwere of my parishe churche of Sancte Elline, in Stanegaite. Unto Leonarde Brerey and James Brerey, my sonnes, xx li. sterlinge, to be taken and paide furthe of one house and viijth acre of lande, calde the Intackes, within the parishinge of Pannall. To Leonarde Brerey ij silver spones. To James Brerey ij silver spones, one violett gowne and too yerdes of lyne cloithe. To Peter Pullan, my sone, one cubborde, ij greate cobyrons, one silver spone, and one reade hatte. To Mr. Christofer Beisley wif one golde ringe, and one neccoller wroght withe golde. To Margarete Wood one towell and one lyne shete. To Anne Chapman, my doughter, ij gownes, one w^{t} reade velvett coffes, and the other edgid withe velvett, ij blake warsett kirtles, one reade pettycoote, one paire silver houkes, one blake bonnett, one paire of almer beades with silver gawdies. To Alice Hill, my suster, one lynnynge smoke. To Anne Wrighte one paire of litle silver crookes. To Elisabethe Bilbroughe one smoke, one blake hatte, iij yerdes cairsaye and one woman gowne to maike her a gowne of. To Elisabeth Townigeson one blak kirtle, one kirchowe and one smokke. To the presoners in Castle ij s. To the presoners in the Kidcoote vj d. To the presoners in the Bushop-preson vj d. To the masindue opon the Owsbridge iiij d. To the masindue of Sancte Christofer house at the Common Haull yaites viij d. I will that one prest shall saye one trentall of messes within Sancte Elyne Churche in Stanegaite for my soule and all Christen soulles. I will that v s. be disposid to the master and kepars of Corpus Christe gilde and other prestes, so far as it will extende. To Mr. William Beayne, auditour, my brother, one silver spone giltid and one silver whistle, desiringe hyme to se that my childer have their right after my deceasse, as my truste is in hyme. To Sancte Ellyne Churche one torche, and to Pannall Church one other torche. Residue to Peter Pullan, Leonarde Brerey and James Brerey, my children, whome I make my full executores. And I make my cosin, Richarde Brerey, and Anthony Pullan, supervisores of this my last will and testament. Witnes herof, Sir Robert Hardinge, my curate, Christofer Beysley, notarie, Thomas Wilson, James Wilson and John Wilson.

[Proved 2 May, 1547.]

CXCIV. THE WILL OF SIR FRANCIS HOTHOM, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 441*b*.]

Nov. 26, 1546. Fraunces Hoothome,* knyghte, at Saundbie in the countie of Nottingeham. First I betake, bequeathe and commende my soule to God the Father of heven, thorowe and by the merites and passion of my lorde and sayvioure Jesus Christe, whiche haith purchassed and redemed it to everlastinge lif, joye and comforthe, and my bodie to be buried in suche manner and plaice as shalbe thought good by the discretion (442) of myne executores herafter naymed and of my frendes. At whiche tyme I will there be distributed amonge other thinges especially to the poore inhabitauntes of Scorebroughe, Lokkingeton, Cranceuike and Saundebie, xxiiij s.; to be devided to the parishe prestes viij d., other chaplaynes iiij d. a peice, parishe clerkes iiij d. a peice, and the residue to the moste pooreste and neidefull in the saide towneshippes. Also I ordeane, devise and will that all my goodes and cattelles and my plaite, ringes and jewelles, be converted and imployed towardes the payment of my dettes. And for the moore certeane assuraunce of the payment of my dettes well and truelie to be performed and paide, I will and devise that all thoise my mannoures, etc., in Lokkingeton, Scorebroughe, Cranceuike, in the countie of Yorke, and all those my mannors, etc., in Over Stavelaye, Nether Stavelaye, Saggill, Kendall, Hugill, in the countie of Westmorland, equallie to be devided in thre pairtes by my executores, wherof one pairte whiche it shall please the kinges hightenes or his most honorable counesaill of his grace is highe courte of wardes to taik and appoynte to the use of the kinges highnes and myne heire duringe his nonage. And then the too pairtes of the said mannores, etc., and all the rentes, etc., to be yerlie taken and perceyved by my executors, and to be imployed and faithefullye converted to the payment of my dettes and performaunce and fulfillinge of thes bequestes and legacies in this present my laste will, as they herafter follow, sayvinge that the dowre of dame Marie, my wif, be allotted, assured and allowed in the saide ij pairtes. Firste I give unto Elizabethe Hothome, my doughter, towardo the advauncement of my saide doughter to convenient mariage, thre hundreth poundes. Unto Nicholes Hothome, my yonger sone, my mannour of Sewerbie and [illegible], in the countie of Yorke. To have and to holde the said mannoure unto the saide Nicholes Hothome and his

* [illegible] married Mary, daughter of Humphrey Hercy, of Grove, in Nottingham-[illegible] of her brother, Sir John Hercy.

assignes duringe the naturall liff of the said Nicholas towarde the findynge hymme to scole and his advauncement towarde mariage. Also yf dame Marie, my wif, be prevnnentnicent, if she bringe furthe and be delivered of a sonne, then I give unto suche sone by what nayme he shalbe called, an annuytie or yerlie rent of tenne poundes, to be yerlie paide yerlie afther the decease of William Hothome, myne uncle, of and upon the issues and proffittes of and in the mannoure of Dunnysforthe (442*b*). And if the same dame Marie be delivered and bringe furthe a doughter, then by this my last will I give, graunte and bequeathe unto suche doughter ij hundrethe markes, to be taike of all the issues and proffettes of all my saide maners, etc., in Lokkington, Scorebroughe, Craunsewike, Over Staveley, Nether Staveley, Saggill, Hugill, in the counties of Yorke and Westmorland. Also I will give, will and graunte unto Henrie Courser, for his good service aforehand doone and hereafter to be doone to dame Marie, my wif, and John, my sone and heir apparaunte, my baliwike and gatheringe of my rentes of my manner, etc, in Lokkingeton, and for his paynes aforehand taken and hereafter to be taken aboute the same, duringe his naturall lif, I give and graunte hyme one annuytie of xl s. of good Englishe money, to be taik of the rentes and proffettes of the saide mannoure of Lokkingeton, to have and to holde the saide office and annuytie aforesaide unto the saide Henrie Courser duringe his owne naturall lif; and in like manner and purposse I give, graunte, will and bequeath unto Robert Wrighte, my servaunte, the office of pundershippe of and in the mannoure of Scorebroughe, and all the commodities, groundes and proffettes belonginge and due to the same office within the saide towneshippe of Scorebroughe, duringe the naturall lif of the saide Robert, in as large and ample manner as it haithe bene hertofore used. Unto Thomas Bartrame, my servaunte, the house that he dwellithe in in Lokkingeton, rente free, duringe his naturall lif; and of suche like purposse and entent that James Moyses shall doo his diligent service to dame Marie, my wif, and John, my sone, I give to the saide James Moyses the office and baliwike of the landes, etc, of my mannoure of Over Staveley, Nether Staveley, Hugill, Sagill in the countie of Westmerlande, and for his paynes one annuytie or yerlie rente of fortie shillinges. To every one of my servauntes, whiche ar not abovenaymed, one halfe yeres wagies over and besides their wagies then to them due (443). Dame Marie Hothome, my wif, my sooll executrixe. Supervisores, John Hercie, of Grove, esquier, my brother in

lawe, myne uncle, William Hothome, and William Meringe, esquier. Unto Umfrae Wastnes, my servaunte, for service doone and hereafter to be doone, the house whiche he nowe dwellithe in in Scorebroughe, rent free, duringe his lif. In witnes of this to this my present will and testamente, and to everie one of thies sixe sheites, I, the saide Sir Fraunces Hoothome, settes to my seale, the dae and yere above written, in the presence of John Staveley, Sir William Sympson, Edmunde Meringe, Thomas Meringe, Henrie Coureser and Roberte Wrighte.

[Proved 5 Oct., 1548.]

CXCV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM MERING, OF SAUNDBY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 385.]

Jan. 12, 1546–7, 38 Hen. viij. William Meringe, of Saundebie, esquier. My bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Saundebie at the discretion of myne executoures. Unto the blissed sacrament of the alter in the saide churche for tithes forgotten xx s., and my mortuarie accordinge to the lawes of the realme. To William Meringe, of Meringe, esquier, to the use and behoffe of the saide William and his heires, after my decease and departoure oute of the worlde withoute heires or heire of my bodie lawefullie begotten, all and singuler thos my landes, etc., within the townes, feildes and lordeshipes of Claworth and Heton, in the countie of Nottingeham, except and reserved oute of the saide gift my winde mylne and one acre of lande, whiche the said mylne standithe upon, sett in the lordshippes of Claworth and Heton. To have and to holde all and singuler the foresaid landes, etc., to the said William Meringe, of Meringe, and his heires, to the proper use and behofe of the saide William and his heires for ever, in manner and forme aforesaide, all whiche landes, etc., be at this present tyme of the clere yerlie value of xx li. by yere or above, to the intent that the saide William Meringe, of Meringe, his heires, executoures and administrators, shall paie to myne executores, or to suche other as I shall herafter nayme or appoynte, the some of foure hundreth poundes, to be paid in thre yeres next after my decease, for and towardes the performance of this my last will and testament, as (385*b*) shalbe herafter declared. Also I will and graunte that if the saide William Meringe, of Meringe, doo not paie the saide foure hundreth poundes, that then John Hercie, of Grove, Thomas Estoft and Thomas Wawyn, shall enter into the said mesuagies and sell. To Thomas Waywyn, of Claworthe, gentleman, and his heires, the foresaide acre of lande and wynde mylne their opon standinge, excepte before

excepte in the former gifte, set lienge and beinge in the lordeship of Clayworthe. To Edmunde Meringe, Leonarde Waywyn and Edwarde Holmes, my servauntes, their annuyties whiche I have before this tyme for their good service doone unto me given and graunted unto everie one of them by dedes, whiche dedes I will shall be delivered to everie one of them, beinge in custodie of my wif. Also I will and bequeath at the daie of my buriall to everie prest theire vj d., to every clerke ij d., and to everie other childe j d., to the persone of Saundebie ij s. and to the chauntrie preste xij d. To Thomas Waywyn, after the decease of Clement Cornynge, all my ryghte in the house and ferme where in the saide Clement dwellithe in Saundebie. To Thomas Estofte, esquier, all my righte in and to the personedge of Misterton towardes and for the mariagyes and prefarment of his doughters, whiche [he] haithe nowe or shall have herafter by Anne, nowe his wif and my kyneswoman, after the deathe and decease of Elisabethe, my wif, whome I will shall have the saide leace during her lif, and the indentor therof to be kept in the churche stocke of Saundebie, painge to the children of Hue White and Richarde Sutton, my kinsemen, when and as the saide children and everie of them comythe to their full aige towardes their mariagies and prefarment xx li. To Nicholas Denman childer, whiche he haithe withe this his wif, x li., to be devided by even porcions amonges them at the discrecion of Maister Hercie, and to all other of my wifes doughters children xxx li. amonges them equallie devided. To the children of my bretheren Edwarde Meringe, Alexander Meringe and James Meringe, xl li. To Georgie Chattowe one annuytie and yerlie rent of xiij s. iiij d. by dede duringe his lif, oute of my landes in Claworthe. To Nicholas Hatherwike and John Wynsore, and to aither of them, xx s. and a blake coite, and to the said George Chattowe a blake coite. To Fraunces Meringe, my kynseman, all suche somes of money whiche he owithe me by reason of an awarde maide betwixte hyme and me, if he, his heires, executours or assignes doo paie unto Hue White and Richarde Sutton all suche somes of money and other leases, bequestes and dettes, beinge yete (386) unpaid, whiche they sholde, myghte or oughte to have of right of the saide Fraunces, by reason of the last will and testament of Thomas Meringe, father unto the saide Fraunces. Also I will and bequeathe to all and everie one of my tenauntes, beinge tenauntes of my saide landes, lease for terme of fyve yeres, to begine immediatelie after my decease. To John Knagges, of Gryngeley, and Portaby, of Misterton, a blaik- To the children of William Underwod, of North

x li., that is to saie, to everie one of them iij li., and the wif of Clement Cornynge the yonger xx s. To the children of John Meringe, of Collingehame, ten markes of money; and to the female children of Fraunces Meringe, xx^ti marke; and to the children of Robert Markehame, of Langehame, gentleman, x li. To Elisabeth, my wif, all my leases of all my farmes not before bequeathed, duringe hir lyffe, and after hir decease to remayne to my executoure. To William Meringe, of Meringe, my golde ringe withe Turkie stone sett therin, painge theirfore to myne executours vj li. xiij s. iiij d.; and if he will not paie the saide money for it, then I will John Hercie, esquier, shall have the saide ringe and stone, painge therefore vj li. xiij s. iiij d. to my said executours. To Sir Robert Apley, chantrie prest of Bekingehame, a blaike gowne. To Fraunces Meringe, one of the sones of John Meringe, laite of Meringe, esquier, my gowne of blacke taffitae and a jerkynne of velvett, and to Thomas Meringe, his brother, my cremysine satten dublett, and (to) John Meringe, the yongest brother, my white satten dublett. The residue to the said Elisabeth Meringe, my wif, whome I maike my full and lawefull executrixe of this my last will and testament, to distribute for the health of my soule at the oversight of John Hercie, esquier, Thomas Estoft, esquier, and my saide cosynge Fraunces, of Collingehame, whome I maike my supervisours of this my last will and testament. Witnesses to this my last will, besides the cedill annexed, my cosine Fraunces Meringe, my brother James Meringe, Edward Meringe, Sir William Sympson, Richarde Underwood. Also I will that Elisabeth, my wife, shall paie unto my brother, James Meringe, twelve scoore and twelve poundes. Also I will and bequeathe unto Peter Meringe, my brother James sone, my barganne that I have of William Meringe, of Huckenall, and Johan, his wife, for certayne landes that I have boughte of them. Thies beinge witnes, Thomas Waywyn, Sir William Sympson, Sir Robert Aplaye and Leonarde Waywynne.

[Proved 26 April, 1548.]

CXCVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS FENTON, OF FENTON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 354*b*.]

Jan. 20, 38 Hen. viij (1546–7). I, Thomas Fenton,* of Fenton, within the countie of Nottingham, gentleman,

* The following is the will of a near relation:—July 25, 1552. William Fenton, of Stirton, yeoman. Buried within the churche or churche earthe of Styrton. All my landes &c. within the townes and feyldes of Northe Leverton, Aplestrope and Cootes to Marye, my wif, for terme of hir lif; remaynder to

consideringe that dethe is to everie creatoure livinge certen, althoughe the tyme and plaice therof at Godes will and pleasoure be most uncerten, willinge therefore to provide and forse vigilantlie, that as well my meases, tenementes and hereditamentes, as also all my goodes and cattelles mighte be dispoised, orderith and imployed to the pleasoure of God, profitte, commoditie and advantage of my wif and children withe other, accordinge to my bounden dutie in that behalf make this my last will and testament in manner and forme followenge. First I bequeathe my soule and bodie to God Almightie, oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall companye of heven, my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche yerde of Stirton, within the saide countie of Nottingham, by the bodies of my late father and mother, whose soules I prae God perdone. To the churche warkes of Stirton x s., and to the curate therof ij s. Unto Laurance Fenton, my sone and heire, to hime and to theires males of his bodie, all my measses, etc., within the townes and feldes of Stirton and Fenton and Litilbroughe, the remaner therof to Nicholes Fenton, myne yonger sone and to his heires males; remayner therof to the righte heires of the saide Thomas for evermore. To my saide sone, Nicholes Fenton, to hyme, his heires and assignes, all my measses, etc., within the townes and feildes of Northe Leverton, Applesthorpe and Cootes. To Jane, my welbeloved wif, a measse in Fenton with all and singuler landes and tenementes therunto belonginge, nowe not beinge inclosed, whiche were sometyme one Lowcokkes, and also one closse in Fenton, lienge in Sedill, for terme of hir lif, for and in recompence and satisfaccon of her dowre. To my wif and my sone Laurence all my householde stuffe and implementes of husbandrie, silver, plaite, horses, geldinges, maires and oxen onelie excepte, betwene them too equallie to be devided. To my sone, Laurence, x li.; and to my sone, Nicholes, fourtie markes; and to my doughter, Elisabethe, xx li. I will that my doughter, Dorothie, shall have xl s. To Alexander Nevell, sone and heire apparante of Sir Anthonye Nevell, knight, xx s.; and to George Nevell, his brother, vj s. viij d. The residue, my said wif havinge

Nicollas Fenton, one of the sonnes of Thomas Fenton, my brother, late of Fenton, deceesed, so that the said Nicollas Fenton do well and trewlie paye the parcelles and sommes of monye followinge, to my nevye, Thomas Fenton, son of Rauf Fenton, my brother, the somme of vj li. xiij s. iiij d.; to my brother, Raufe Fenton, the somme of fyve markes; the residue to Mary, my wif, whome I make my full executrix, and the right worshipfull Sir Anthonye Nevyll, knight, to be the supervisor therof. Thes being witnes, Alexander Neveyll, William Wollay, and Xpofer Robynson. Proved 1364 A.D. revoluto. (Reg. Test. xiij, 926).

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the parishe of Ledes, make this my laste will. I give my soull unto Almightie God, my maker and Redemer, and my bodie to be buried in the church of Sancte Peter at Ledes before the roide, and I will have *messe* and *dirige* songe for my soull at the daye of my buriall. Also I will give unto the hie altare for tithes and oblacons forgotten xij d. Also I will that my mortuarie shalbe paid according to the Kinges actes. I give to Sibell Wilson a cowe which shall remayne in my ladies handes, and the forsaid Sibell to be with my ladie as longe as she wilbe ordered by here, and then my ladie to do as it shall please here. Also I give unto Sibell Tottie one cowe which remayneth in Sibell Marshall handes. To Anne Cokson a yewe and a lambe, to Jane Cokson one yewe and a lambe. To Leonarde Tottie one yewe and a gymber hogge. The residue of all my goodes to Jane my wife, whome I make my executrix, Sir John Killingbeke and Georgie Marshall. Witnesses, Thomas Wilson, Henrie Stokdale and John Hodgeson.

[Proved 22 June, 1547.]

CXCVIII. THE WILL OF EDMUND CLIFTON, OF WILFORD, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 305.]

March 1, 1546-7, 1 Edward vj. Edmunde Clifton, of Wilfurthe, in the countie of Notingham, gentleman. My bodie to be buried in the parish church of Wilfurth before Sancte Katheryn altare there. Item I will that vj torches be bought and stand burnynge abowte me the day of my buriall, and then to be burned afore the sacrament. To the church of Wilfurth a chales and a robe of blewe velvett, to be ordered as the parishe shall thinke best. To Richarde Haaley, my servaunte, tenne poundes in redie money and a gray geldinge. To John Panyerman, my servaunte, fyve markes in redie money. To Thomas Mylner, my servaunte, xx s. To Richarde Bredon, keper of my pasture, xl s. To John Weyne xl s. To maistres Dorothie Clifton fortie markes, to be paide oute of the hundreth markes that Sir Gervys Clifton oweth me, so that she take it for no dewtie, but for a gifte and bequeste to pray for the soules of Mr Doctor Clifton and myne. To Thomas Meringe xl s., to be ordered and sett forth by Richard Person and M^r^ parsone, as they shall thinke best for the proffett of the same Thomas. To deff Margerie xl s., to be ordered (*&c. as before*). To John Wilkynson, my sheparde, xl s., so that he do service to my wif fathfully thre yeres after my decesse, she paynge hyme his wages usuall. I bequeath all my corne that I bought

of Smalley, of Thorpe Arnall, and the pese stacke that I have bought and paed for at Broughton, to the power people of Wilfurthe, Clifton and Cleypole. To the power people of Wilfurthe and Clifton, and other people that be seke or sore, yerelie fyve poundes duringe the terme of my leice, to be taken owte of the proffettes and revenues of my farme of Wilfurth and Wilfurth pasture, and to be bestowed foure tymes in the yere by equall porcions by my executours at the discression of M^r parson, John James, Richarde Person and Thomas Wolley. And if my executours faill this to do, I will and bequeath the leace of the said ferme imediatelie after suche defalte to Richarde Clifton, Henrie Flower, the balif of Langer, and Geffray Edmondson, the balif of Sallowe, doyng this my will to the power people of Wilfurth and Clifton (306). To Sir Thomas Felton, parson of Wilfurthe, the fetherbedd that Richarde, my servaunte, liethe in, a teister and a paire of bedde stockes. To Richarde Persone a russett gowne faced with chamlett. To sex power men, cotigers of Wilfurthe, sex blake gownes, to bere every of theme a torche the day of my buriall. To every man, beinge householder in Wilfurth, iiij d., to be paid the day of my buriall. To every cottager of Wilfurthe, Clifton and Bridgeforde, the thirde day after my buriall, iiij d. To every preste the day of my buriall, viij d. To every clerke iiij d., and every childe, beinge stolde, ij d. To Richarde Clifton xx li., to be paide owte of the hundreth markes that Sir Gervase Clifton owethe me. To an honeste preste to singe for my soull and all Christen soules one yere after my decesse in the parish churche of Wilfurth, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To Richarde Petcher, mylner, xx s. To Johan and Alicie, my maydyns, either of theme, x s. To Sir Gervys Clifton, knyght, the standinge cuppe of silver and gilte and a goblett parcel gilte, which hee hath all redie in his custodie, opon condicion that he helpe and assiste my wif, and do not enforce her, nor be abowte here to take any husbande, but suche as she shall willinglie be pleased and contented with, nor be abowte to do here any other displeasour, neyther by worde nor dede; and if he do any thinge contrarie to this condicion, then this bequeste to be voide. To Mr Palmer, of Keyworth, my bedd that standes in the newe chambre, with all thinges to the same belonginge, even as it is, opon this condicion, that he shall be a fathfull councelour to my wif in all here busynes and affayres, she consideringe his costes and paynes. Item I will that my wif shall kepe all my servauntes, they doinge ther fathfull service to my wif duringe one yere after my decease, and she paynge theme

[illegible] wages therfore. To Johan Jepson, maistres [illegible] doughter, xx s. towardes her mariedge, to be paide [illegible] of here mariedge. To Johan Hutchynson and Alice [illegible], my maydyns, either of theme, xx s. towardes ther [illegible], to be paide to theme the day of there mariedge. To the maydins mariages of Wilfurth and Clifton, xvij li. Towerde the mendinge and repayrenge of highe wayes xx li. To Gunwell Hall, in Camebrege, my best silver salte withoute coveringe. To Jane Merynge xl s., of this condicion, that she shall professe and knowlege here self not to have [done] here dewtie to me and to my wif, before M^r parson and iiij or fyve of the honester men in the parishe. To Langfurthe xl s. at the requeste of Sir Gervys Clifton, knyght, so that he make unto my executors a generall acquytance. To Sir Anthony Nevell, knyght, twentie markes opon condicion that he assiste and mayntene my will with all his witt, diligence, counsill and conscience, accordinge to the true meaninge therof, and to be goode to my wif and my servauntes, or els to have nothinge (306*d*). To Robert Jepson xx s. Item I will that the olde golde which I have shalbe solde, and the encrease and proffett therof to be bestowed in fyve yeres equally for a memoriall yerlie duringe the saide fyve yeres, and to be distribute to power people as by myne executours shall seme beste. The residue to Sibell, my wif, and I make the saide Sibell, my wif, Sir Anthony Nevell, knyght, and Mr Robert Palmer, executors of this my last will and testament. Mr. Palmer to have a portyngall of golde for his paynes. Thes beinge witnes, Sir Thomas Felton, preste, John James, Thomas Wulley, Robert Jepson, Richarde Hauley and William Bawll, with others.

[Proved 14 March, 1546-7, by Sibell, the relict.]

CXCIX. THE WILL OF STEPHEN HAMERTON, OF WIGGLESWORTH.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 305.]

In the name of God, Amen. The vij^th day of Marche, 1546, I, Stephan Hammerton, of Wiglesworth, makes this my testament. First I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie Sanctes in heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche yerde of oure ladie of Longe Preston. Also I putt Alan Armytsted and Richarde Hammerton in speciall trust and in my auctoritie of my farmeholde, goodes, and my power childer, and they and suche counsill as they will take unto theme to order my said farmeholde, goodes, and childer, unto my childer be of adge, and that my mother have

parte of my farmeholde duringe her lif, and after here the said fourte parte to remayne to the holl, and the eldest of my sonnes to have it when he shall come to the age of twentie yeres, and to agre with his brethren at the sight of my frendes. Also I give all my goodes, my dettes paid and funerall expenses dischardged, unto my childer egallie emonges them. Also I ordane and make Alan Armytsted and Richarde Hammerton myn executors to mynister for me. Thes witnesses, Christofer Hammerton, William Cokhede and Stephan Wodwarde.

[Proved 25 April, 1547.]

CC. THE WILL OF MARGERIE CONYERS, OF PONTEFRACT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 335.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, Margerie Conyers,* gentlewoman, beinge of hooll mynde and perfite memorie, the fourte daie of Aprile, in the first yere of oure Soveragne Lorde Kinge Edwarde the sexte, doithe maike this my laste will. First I bequeathe my soule unto Almightie God, my Redemer and Savioure, and to the blissed Virgine Marie, and my bodie to be buried within the churche of the blissed Trenytie at Pontifracte. Also I bequeath to my brother Brian Palmes a goblett withe a cover, a fedderbed withe a bolster and a pillowe, a paire of shetes of ij brede and a half, and a coveringe to the saide bed; also to Dorothie Conyers a salte of silver and doble gilte, a fedder bed with a bolster and a pillobere, a paire of shetes of ij brede and a halfe, and a coveringe to the saide bed, also a gilted spone and my stone cup withe the silver cover; also to Warrhyn Skargill ij silver spoones; to my curaite, Sir William Chamber, a silver spoone withe a gilted knoppe, and a sheite cloithe of my lynne webbe. I bequeathe also to Sir Thomas Burton a silver spoone withe a knoppe, to my suster Elsabeth vj s. viij d., to suster Jane my frocke, and to everie one of the susters in the suster house xij d., and to everie one of the brether in the brother house xij d. Also I will that Sir John Gascoigne shall have ij s., and Brian Hutchon ij s. To Anne Emley a cople of my best coverlettes and ij paire of harden shetes. Also I will that Isabell my servaunte shall have hir hooll yere wagies, that is to saie, viij s., and all my smockes. Also I will that Dorothye Conyers shall give to suster Elsabeth and to suster Jane of my lynne kerchiffes after hir discrecon.

* Daughter of Christopher and sister of Sir Christopher Conyers, of Sockburne, co. Durham. In the pedigree in Surtees *Durham* she is called a nun.

[illegible] servaunte, a silver spone; to [illegible] is standinge at the Leede. [illegible] goodes not bequest I will that [illegible] my brother, Brian Palmes, and [illegible] I make my hooll executoures. In [illegible] Sir Willm. Chambre, Sir Thomas [illegible]chon, &c.

[Proved 21 July, 1547.]

WILL OF WILLIAM HUNGATE, OF SAXTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 379.]

[illegible]ine, Amen. The xxij daie of June, 1547, I, [illegible]gaite,* of Saxton, esquier, being hooll and perfite [illegible] memorie, lovid be God, ordans and makithe my [illegible]nd testament in manner and forme followinge. First [illegible] wit my soule unto Almightie God, to oure blissed [illegible]te Marie, his mother, and to all the celestiall [illegible]nye of heven, and my bodie to be buried within the [illegible] quere of the parishe churche of Saxton, if it pleas [illegible] I die their. Also I give in the nayme of my mortuarie [illegible]ordinge after the custome of the churche. Also I bequeathe [illegible] the parsone for my tithes forgotten x s. Also I bequeathe [illegible] the churche warkes of the saide churche xvj s. Also I will have the daie of my buriall *messe* and *derige* songe, my curaite to have xij d., Sir William Cowper xij d., Maister vicar of Sherborne xij d., vicar of Tadcaster xij d., Sir William Skelton xij d., everie other prest beinge their present vj d., everie parishe clerke iiij d., and everie scoler j d., and a honest dynner after the discrecon of myne executors. Also I will have the daie of my buriall sexe torches and xij tapers of waxe borne afore me to the churche, and everie one of the bearers thereof to have ij d., and I will have a serge of waxe sett opon the herse over me the spacie of one yere. I bequeathe to Sir William Cowper xx s. to celebraite certayne messes and other prayers for the healthe of my soule after his discrecon. I bequeathe to be distributed to the poore people within the parishe of Sherborne vij s. viij d., to the poore of Saxton vj s. viij d., to the parishe of Abberforthe iiij s., and to the poore people in Fenton iiij s. To Alice, my wif, the best bed coveringe and the fedder bed in the greate chamber withe all other thinges thereto belonginge. To Edward Hungaite, my sone, my velvett rochett. To Robert

* Married Alice, daughter of Sir William Gower, of Stittenham. His eldest son, William, died in his father's lifetime, and his will has been printed No. XLIII in this volume.

Hungaite, my sone, my damaske gowne and best dublett. To Anne Rider, my doughter, twentie markes in money to be taken and leveyed opon my goodes, a fedder bed, a mattres, a bed coveringe, ij coverlettes, ij blankettes, ij paire of lyne shettes. To Margarete Rider iij li. vj s. viij d. I will that my sons have all suche landes and tenementes during their naturall lyves according unto my deides thereof maide, and after their decease to remayne unto my right heires for euer. I maike Alice, my wif, William, Hewe, Edwarde and Robert Hungaite myne executors. I make my Righte Worshipfull nephewe, Sir Edwarde Gower, knighte, to be supervisoure of this my will. Thies witnes, George Hungaite, Robert Danyell, Thomas Yoille, Symon Fidler and Thomas Taylyor, withe other moo.

[Proved 19 April, 1548.]

CCII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM PLUMPTON, OF PLUMPTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 341.]

In the name of God, Amen. The firste daie of Julij, 1547, I, William Plompton,* of Plompton, esquier, seeke throughe the debilitie and wakenes of my bodie, but, thankes be unto the Almightie lorde God, of perfite memorie, makithe this my laste will. Firste I bequeath my soule to the greate mearcie of Almightie God, my creatore and the maiker of heven and earthe and all thinge therein conteyned, and to the comendacone of the holle celestiall companye, and my bodie to be buried in Marie Magdalene quere within the parishe churche of Alhalloes of Spofforthe, and by this my presente laste will I will my landes and all my goodes to be disposed in manner followinge. Firste I bequeathe unto my suster, Clare Plompton, fortie poundes of good money, to be paide unto her the oone half within one quarter of a yere nexte after my discease, and the other half within one hool yere. Moreover I bequeathe unto Dinyse Plompton, my sone, ij pairtes of all my landes in Plompton and Plompton lordshipe in the countie of Yorke, and also ij pairtes of all my other landes within the said countie accordinge to the effecte of the estatute thereof maide, to have until such tyme as he shall have receyved the some of twoo hundrethe poundes. I will thre score pounde, parcell of the said cc li., to be imployed by the saide Dynes Plompton in suche manner as hereafter is specified. First I will that at suche

* Son of Sir Robert Plumpton, of Plumpton, by Agnes, daughter of Sir William Gascoigne, of Gawthorpe. He married Isabel, daughter of Robert Babthorpe, whose will follows. He died 11 July, 1547, and was buried at Spofforth.

tyme as Anne Plompton, one of the doughters of Robert Plompton, my sone and heare laite departed, shall come to the aige of xxj yeres or els shall happen to be maried, that then the saide Denys Plompton or his executoures shall paye unto the saide Anne or to suche person as shalbe her husbande twentie pounde; likewise I will that at suche tyme as Marie Plompton, an nother of the doughters of the saide Robert Plompton, shall come to the aige of xxj yeres or els happen to be maried, that then the saide Dynes shall paye unto the saide Marie Plompton or to suche person as shalbe her husbande twentie pounde; also I will that at suche tyme as Isabell Plompton, an nother of the doughters of the saide Robert Plompton, shall come to the aige of xxj yeres or els happen to be maried, that then the saide Dynise shall paye unto the saide Isabell or to suche persone as shalbe hir husbande twentie pounde, the rest of the saide threscore pounde; and if it shall happen the saide Anne, Marie and Isabell to die or they come to the aige of xxj yeres and not maried, then I will that all suche some of money shall be paide equallie to the other too, and if too of them die then the said some to be paide unto the thirde, and if the said Anne, Marie and Isabell doo all die then I will that Dynes Plompton shall kepe the said some of lx li.; and further I orden that the saide Dynise oute of the saide some of cc li. shall paie unto William Plompton, sone and heire of Roberte Plompton, decessed, the some of ten pounde when he shall come to the aige of xxj yeres; and shall paie unto Roberte Plompton my neice (*sic*) and servaunte fortie shillinges when he shalbe maried or els come some other promocon; and I will the residue of the saide some of cc li. unto the saide Dynise to fulfill suche thinges and to be good unto suche persons as I have appoynted hyme to be good unto, as to my poore kinsfolkes and servauntes; and where as before this tyme I have leassed by deide bearinge daite the twentie daie of Maij in the yere above written unto the saide Dynyse Plompton my mannor of Plompton, with all other my landes within the towne and feildes of Plompton, for the terme of xvij yeres, yeldinge yerlie for the same xl li., I do ratify by this my present will, and further where as I have given by my letters patentes and under my seale to John Poulle xl s., to Marmaduke Bellingeham xxvj s. viij d., to Thomas Gardiner xxiiij s., and to Richarde Davie xxs., for terme of ther lives, oute of the saide mannor of Plompton, nowe by this my will I give all their saide patentes, and I will where as Anne Plompton, laite wif of Robert Plompton, deceassid, Robert Plompton, my brother, and Neel Plompton,

my brother, haithe certen landes for terme of theire lives in Plompton, that if it fortune them to die within the terme of xvij yeres that then the said Dynysse Plompton shall receave all the rentes of ij partes of all the landes towards the helpinge of my poore kinsefolkes and servauntes. Also I will that myne executoures shall give unto my suster Clare her borde unto suche tyme as she be broughte unto some succoure, or els my saide executoures to give unto her twentie nobles towarde her findinge. Also I give to Robert Settill, my servaunte, for writinge of this my will and other thinges vj s. viij d.; unto all my servauntes all their wagies, xl s. to the poore folkes of this parishe. I orden Isabell, my wife, and Dynis, my sone, to be myne executoures of the rest of all my goodes, aswell for my funerall expenses and my bringinge furthe, and for the especiall truste and confidence that I have in my nephue Richarde Arthingeton, and my brother Richard Yorke, gentlemen, I do orden them to be supervisoures of this my last will, and bequeathe to aither of theme xx s. for theire paynes. Thies beinge witnes, Thomas Gascoigne, esquier, Thomas Plompton, Richarde Ampleforthe, Thomas Hawkes, Christofer Mawson, William Stevinson, berber, Robert Settill, Roger Hall, Robert Hawkes, and other moo.

[Proved 12 Aug., 1547.]

CCIII. THE WILL OF ISABEL PLUMPTON, OF PLUMPTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 901.]

In the name of Gcd, Amen. The xth daye of June, the vth yere of the reigne of our soveraigne loide Edwarde the sexte, I, Isabell Plompeton,* of Plompton, within the county of Yorke, wydowe, beinge of hole mynde and perfyte memory, do make and order this my presente testamente. Fyrste I comende my sowle into the most mercyfull handes of my saveior and redemer, Jhesus Christe, throwghe whos paynfull passyon I undowtedly beleve to be eternally savid. My will is that my synfull body shalbe bewryed in the nexte parishe churche wher it shall please my lorde God to take me to his mercy. Than I will that all suche dettes and dewtyes as I owe of righte to anny person or persones be well and trewly contentyd and payde by myne executores. And wher in consyderacon of the tender love I bere to [illegible] Plompton, my naturall sone, and grantes owte

* [illegible] of William Plumpton, whose will is just given. She was [illegible] Babthorpe, and cousin and heiress of Isabella Babthorpe, [illegible] Hastings, of Fenwick, from whom she obtained Waterton.

severall patentes to Anne, Mary and Isabell Plompton, his doughteres, oute of certayne of my landes and tenementes towards ther bestowinge in maryayge, yett not knowinge not with effecte my sayd patente shall take I have thowghte good by this my laste will to devide that upon dewe surrender mayde to my handes of the other sayde severall patentes, every one of the thre dowghters of my said sone shall have payd unto them, or to suche ffrendes as shall have by myne appoyntmente the custody of them, the sum of x li. yerely of lawful money of Inghlonde, which shalbe paid duringe the spayce of xx^ti^ yeres yf they so longe do live, which somes dothe amownte to the parte and porcon of every one of my sone his said thre dowghters two hundrethe poundes, which is in a totall sum vj li., yff they will other themselfes honestely and after the good advice of such ffrendes as I shall charge to appoynte for there good direction and order, and yf that the said Anne, Marye and Isabell do not chance to be preferred and bestowed to anny marryayge by me duringe my lyfe tyme, in which cawses my will is that theis my bequeste maid to them shalbe voide and of none effecte. I will furthermore that the above sumes of vj li. peapable in forme abovesaid shalbe levied and taken by myne executores of the yerly rentes growinge of my lordshipe of Watterton within the county of Lyncolne. And grantes to Anne Morton,* mother to the said Mary, Anne and Isabell, for the yerely rente of xxj li. peapable to be my heares, executors and assignes, and also of the yerely rents of my farme called Babthorpe hall, within the parishe of Wistowe, granted to William Albowrghe for the yerely rente of iij li. vj s. viij d., and also of yerely rentes of all my lands in Kyrkeby Warke granted for the yerly rente of vj li. xiij s. iiij d. I will that my said executores shall paye or cawse to be paid to Sir Roberte, clerke, my chaplen, for his owneste servis and diligence exhibited unto me here before tyme, and to the intente he shalbe at the lawfull comandinence of my sone, Dinis Plompton, yf he please to releave him withe meate and drinke, the sum of xl s., which I will shalbe taken by myne executores of my landes in Selby untyll my nephew, William Plompton, shall or myghte come to the agge of xx^ti^ yeres yf the said Sir Roberte so longe do live and be nott perferred to any better livinge. Item I give to Willm. Albrowghe duringe his naturall lyfe the sum of xxvj s. viijd., peapable yerely owte of my landes in Hunceley. Item I give to Thomas Gardner, my olde

* Her son Robert's widow had married Robert Morton.

sarvaunte, yerely the some of xxvj s. viij d., also that this is assired to the said Roberte Gardner by patente; also I will to Anne Plompton, dowghter to Roberte Plompton, my brother in lawe, the sum of xl s. I give to Edethe Swale, my kynswoman, the sum of iij li. vj s. viij d., to be payd of my goods at suche tyme as she shall go and kepe howse with hir husband. Item I will that my saide executores shall yerly dispose to the porceste dwellers of the townes of Plompton, Spoforde and Knaysburghe xx s. duringe the spase off ffower yeres nexte after my departure oute of this wreched worlde. The residue of all my goodes, cattelles and dettes I comitt unto the discrecon of William Woodroffe, my lovinge ffrende and kynsman, and to my sone, Denis Plompeton, who I make my executores. Theis being witnesses, Thomas Gardiner, Roberte Settell, Willm. Albrowghe. Also that this testament was sealed by the said Isabell Plompeton, the vijth daye of Januarij, 1552, in the presence of the said witnesses.

[Proved 25 Aug., 1552.]

CCIV. THE WILL OF JAMES STRANGEWAYS, OF ORMSBY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 383.]

In the name of God, Amen. The fiftenthe daie of Julij, in the yere of oure lorde God, 1547, I, James Strangewaes,* of Ormesbie, in the countie of Yorke, esquier, of hooll mynde and perfite of remembrance, doithe orden and maike this my laste will in manner and forme followinge. First I give my soule to God Almyghtie, the maker thereof, and to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of heven, and my bodie to be buried in Christenmans buriall where it shall please God to call me to his mercie and graice. Also I give for my mortuarie x s. accordinge to the lawes of the realme. I give to my sone, Richarde Strangewaies, a hundreth poundes to be taken of my goodes, corne, cattalles and other thinges aboute my house. Also I will that my executor shall distribute to the power people within twentie parishinges in Clevelande and Whitbie Strande the some of xx li. accordinge to his discrecon. Also I give to James Strangewaes, sone and heire to Richarde Strangewaes, vj li. viij s. iiij d., and besides a hundrethe poundes whiche I give to the saide James Strangewaes his bretheren and susters gotten in wedlaike. Also I bequeathe

* Son of James Strangeways, of Ormsby, by Ann Trafford. His wife is said to have been Ann, daughter of Ralph Danby, of Danby Wiske. His son Sir Richard's will is at York.

to Philipe Baynbrig and my doughter Margarete children whiche are unmarried and haithe noo lands of inheritance a hundreth markes. Also I bequeathe to my doughter Alice children whiche is unmarried and haithe noo lande of inheritance fiftie markes. The residue of all my goodes and cattelles after that my funerall expenses, legacies, dettes and bequestes bee fullie satisfied, I bequeathe to Richarde Strangewaes, my sone and heire, whome I maike myne executor to give and dispoise the same after his wisdome and discrecon for the well and comforthe of my soule. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir Martyn Strangewaes, prest, Robert Tristrame, gentleman, Sir Christofer Wilde, prest, Sir Thomas Randolson, prest, Jeffrae Lawson, Robert Ducke, Robert Stere, Robert Cudbert, James Herrison and Richarde Wilton, yomen.

[Proved 19 April, 1548.]

CCV. THE WILL OF LADY ANNE CONYERS, OF SKELTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 384.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvjth daie of Decembre, 1547, I, Anne,* ladie Conyers, Dowager of Skelton, beinge of good memorie, maikes this my last will. First I bequeathe my soule to God Almyghtie, my Redemer and Sayvioure, and to oure ladie the Virgine Marie and all the Sanctes in heven, my bodie to be humate and buried in the churche of All Sanctes in Skelton in the tombe beside my lorde my husbande. And I will that theire be distribute the daie of my buriall to prestes, clerkes and pooer folkes for my saule healthe, at the discrecon of my supervisoures and executoures, twelve poundes sexe shillinges and viij d. And I will that ther be done at Rudbie churche and at the churche of Hornebie one *masse* and *derige*, and to aither churche x s. to be distributed at the discrecon of the curaites theire beinge. Also I give to my lorde my sone one crosse of golde of diamondes, and one yonge horse and one meire, withe hartelie Goddes blissinge and myne, requiringe hyme to be good lorde and brother to my sone Leonarde and to my doughter Jayne. Item I give to my ladie Conyers, my doughter, ij frontells of white damaske and blake for one alter, withe one traves for hir chamber of grene sarcenett and reide. Item I give to my doughter Jayne all my rayment excepte one gowne of tawney velvett withe one kirtle of tawney damaske, whiche I bequeathe to my doughter Place. And

* Daughter of William, Lord Dacre of Gillesland, and widow of Christopher, Lord Conyers of Hornby and Skelton, who died in 1538.

I give to my suster Bigod one blake velvett bonnett. Item I bequeathe to everie one of my servauntes halfe one yeres wagies after the daie of my deathe, and I give to my god doughter, Ann Conyers, one floure of golde withe one stone. I make my hoole executores my cosyn, Richarde Vincent, of Smeton, and my cosine, Robert Conyers, of Huton, whoo doithe stande bounde for the performynge of my lorde my husbande will and myne, to discharge als moche as shall come to theire handes, to whome I give to aither of them for theire paynes taken and to be taken five poundes. Item I bequeathe my lease of my halfe tiethe corne of Kirkeleventon to Sir Robert Symond, prest, accordinge to the indentor maide of the same. Item all the residue of my goodes, my legaces and dettes dischargid, I bequeathe to Leonarde, my sone, and Jayne, my doughter, that is to saie, to Leonarde one pairte and to Jane twoo pairtes. Item I bequeathe to my lorde Dacre, my brother, and to my cosinge, Robert Bowes, lorde warden, Sir George Conyers and George Plaice, whom I make supervisoures of this my laste will, requiringe them as my truste is in them to taike some paynes for the performance of the same, and I will that everie one of them have one horse or els five poundes. In witnes whereof I have signed this withe myne owen hande. Thies witnes, George Plaice, Richarde Vincent, Robert Conyers, esquiers, Roberte Symon, prest, Richarde Conyers, Anthonie Herrington, William Ellerbie, William Edwarde, cum aliis.

[Proved 21 April, 1548.]

CCVI. THE WILL OF EDWARD SALTMARSH, OF THORGANBY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 389.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande five hundrethe fortie seven, the xxiiij daie of Decembre, I, Edwarde Saltmarshe,* of Thorganbie, esquier, in hooll mynde and good remembrance, maikes my laste will. First I bequeathe my soule unto God Almightie, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of Thorganbie in the quere. To the parishe churche too shillinges. To the parishe clerke xij d. To everie power house within the parishe iiij d. To Alice Hughe iij li. vj s. viij d. To Alexander Baildon xiij s. iiij d. and a horse, to Richarde

* According to the *Visitation* of 1584 he was son of John Saltmarsh, of Saltmarsh. He married twice, Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Brian Stapleton; secondly . . . . . His eldest son died in his lifetime, and his grandson Thomas was 15 years old at the *Inquisition* taken 12 April, 2 Edward VI.

Burne the teynde haye of the hall banke for his farme for terme of his lif, and after hyme to Alexander withoute anye farme painge. To William Barker the house that he dwellith in and the teynde hempe and lyne whiche he holdes for terme of his lif, also vj s. viij d. of money. To John Skelton for his service done the tende of Sandewige five acre, and the teynde of Pereson three acre, and the teynde of the Gilde ynge, and the teynde of Roberte Cowper side ynge withoute painge anye farme. To Thomas Raner ten shillinges. To Isabell Snawe and Isabell Backehouse, aither of them vj s. viij d. To John Wood vj s. viij d., and he to bee in choise wheder he will goo to Sir Robert Constable or to William Cattericke. To Henrie Barker xx d. To my suster Cattericke and to my suster Hungaite, aither of theme vj s. viij d. for a token. To Richarde Holdenbie iij s. iiij d. To Margarete Vavasoure a cowe. To my three doughters, that is to saie, Anne Vavasoure, Marie Hammerton and Elsabeth Abbotte, everie one of them iij li. To William Saltmarshe xx s. I bequeathe one obligacon of xx li. and the dett therof whiche is to be paide at Witsondae nexte by the handes of Sir Robert Constable, as appeareth by the obligacon to the use of Georgie Saltmarshe and Isabell, and will that Thomas Saltmarshe, of Hull, marchaunte, have the said Georgie and his half of the obligacon, and I will that Thomas Pereson, of Saltmarshe, have Isabell and the oder halfe of the obligacon and to bringe them up therwithe. Also I bequeathe an other obligacon of xx li. due to be paide at Martynmes nexte by the handes of Sir Robert Constable to Graice and Anne Saltmarshe, and their mother to bringe them up therewithe, also an other obligacon of xx li. to John and Edwarde Saltmarshe, and I will that Robert Metham have Edwarde and his halfe of his obligacon, and Antonye Saltmarshe, John and half his obligacon, and to bringe them up therwithe; also one other obligacon of xx nobles to my bastarde doughter, and it to be delivered to her mother, and she to occupie it to her use. Also to Katerine Saltmarshe and Christofer Saltmarshe, aither of them xx li. in money, and Barthilmewe Abbott, my sone in lawe, to have them boithe and the saide fortie pounde, and to bringe up Christofer with his pairte. To Thomas Saltmarshe, my sone sone and myne here, my manner of Thorganbie withe all comodities therto belonginge, salve onlie that the said Thomas my sone shall suffer my suster Anne to occupie the saide manner housses and mylke house, and to have foure kie founde wynter and sommer duringe his nonnaige opon groundes nighe ther aboutes, and to have

teynde haie in Thorganbie ynges, and she to kepe all the householde stuffe to his use. Also I will that Sir Walter Bee, parishe prest, have foure poundes. Also I bequeathe all my leaces and tackes to the saide Thomas Saltmarshe, whome I maike my hooll executor to dispoise for the healthe of my soule, Amen. I will that my suster Anne have halfe a thousande kiddes yerlie to her fier. And I make my sone Vavasoure and my sone Abbott supervisoures of this my laste will. Thies witnesses, Marmaduke Vavasoure and Barthilmewe Abbott.

[Proved 5 May, 1548.]

CCVII. THE WILL OF ANNE HAWKESWORTH, OF ESHOLT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 396.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxvj daie of Februarij, in the yere of our Lorde God, 1547, I, Anne Hawkesworthe,* of Esholte, in the parishinge of Otley, widue, beinge of hooll mynde and good memorie, make this my laste will. First I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, my maker and Redemer, and my bodie to be buried in the quere of the church of Sancte Oswaldes at Gyesley. I bequeathe to Thomas Wyntworthe, of Kirkebie, sone and here to Mr. Roger Wyntworth, fower oxen, foure kie, halfe a garnishe of pewder, two of my best candlestickes, my best carpet cloithe and my best bed withe all thinges pertenynge to the same; and to Thomas Wynteworthe wif a chamblet gowne and kirtle of satten and a velvett bonnett. To Mr John Grene my cupborde in the hall. To Dorithie Lynley a paire lyne shetes. To Sir Richarde Oldred, my curaite, my secunde carpet cloithe. To Edward Rookes wif a paire of lynne shetes. To Jennet Shae a quie of too yeres. To John Batt my farmold at Hawkesworthe and half of the corne mylne at Essholte duringe my termes, a fether bed, ij coverlettes, too blankettes and ij shetes. To Thomas Calverley, my servaunte, the other halfe of the saide mylne at Essholt, the bed that he lieth in and too stirkes. To Malde Batt a pot and a panne. To Anne Fawkes a worsted kirtle. To Sir Christopher Waide a paire of lynne shetes. The rest of my goodes and dettes I broughte furthe I give to John Batt to his owen use. Thomas Wynteworthe and John Batt I make my executoures, so that the said Thomas do not mynister nor clame anye pairte of my goodes excepte such bequestes

* Probably the daughter of John Wentworth, of Elmsall, and widow of Walter Hawkesworth, who died before his father, Walter Hawkesworth, of Hawkesworth, Esq.

to hyme before specified, nor release any of my dettes withoute the assent and consent of the said John Batt. Witnesses, Sir Richarde Olrede, my curaite, Christofor Waide, prest, Constane Hollynges, Richarde Rookes, Christofer Pickarde Christofer Sugden.

[Proved 18 June, 1548, by the executors.]

CCVIII. THE WILL OF HENRY MORTON, OF BRADFIELD.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 410.]

In the name of God, Amen. The viij daye of Marche, 1547, I, Henrie Morton, of the parishe of Bradfelde, wholl of mynde and of good and perfite remembrance, makes this my last will. First I give my soull unto Almightie God, to oure blissed ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the church yerde of Sancte Nicholas at Bradfelde. Also I give for my mortuarie as the lawe hath ordaned. Also unto the highe altare of Bradfelde to the bienge of some ornament xij d.; also unto John Swynden my russett jackett, unto Gilbert Morton my grenne jackett, unto Richarde Morton, my sone, my best pott and best panne, my jake and sallett, my best arke and best coverlett, my best candlestike and best dublet; and Margaret, my wif, to have the occupacion of all the said goodes duringe here lif, and at here decesse I will that the saide Richarde have all the saide goodes. Also it is my last will that Margaret, my wif, and all my children have, holde and occupie my tenement jointelie to gether duringe the terme that I have to expende in the same, whiche is xix yeres, and if it fortone the said Margaret, my wif, to decesse or marie agayne within the said terme, or if my doughters fortone to marie, then I will that the porcion of theme remayne unto the said Richarde Morton, my sone, duringe the residue of yeres that shall then forton to be to expende in the said tenement. The residue of all my goodes I give unto the propre use of Margaret, my wif, Richarde Morton, Anne Morton, Elen Morton and Margaret Morton, my children, whome I ordan my executors, and Thomas Morton, of Spowthouse, and John Waynwright to be the supervisors. Thes witnesses, Sir William Hedon, Christofer Stancefelde, Thomas Morton, John Morton, of Pechall, and Edwarde Bower.

[Proved 18 April, 1548.]

CCIX. THE WILL OF JOHN CONYERS, OF PINCHINTHORPE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 881.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xijth day of Marche, 1547, I, John Conyeres,* of Pyncheinthorpe, esquier, of hole mynde and perfite memory, makethe this my laste will. Fyrste I bequeathe my sowle to Almightie God, my Redemer and Saveyor, besucheinge our blissid Lady the Virgen and all the Saynctes in heaven to pray for me, and I will that my body be humate and bewried in the parishe churche of Gusburne nexte unto my father and mother, and I bequeath my mortuary to be geven accordinge to the Kinges grace actes. Also I bequeathe unto Sir John Skayfe, preste, vj li.; to Thomas Carell, my syster sone, v li.; also Alis Carrell, my sister dowghter, unto my wife, and she to use and have hir as hir owne childe, and I bequeathe unto my brother Rowland Pudsey my gray amblinge mayre, to my brother Nycholes Pudsaye one amblinge mayre, to George Conyeres my brother all my apparell, to my syster his wife one amblinge mayre, to my said brother George one younge trottinge horse, to every howsholde in Pinchinthorpe vj d., to every howsholde in Gusburne iiij d., to my wife my hole parte of my lease of and in Hewton Hange, and she to paye oute annually xxvj s. viij d. accordingly as it haythe bene accustomid and payde heretofore. I bequeathe unto my said wife my parte of my lease of Middleham ij mylnes, and unto my syster Conyeres of Danby one amblinge meyre, to Sir Roberte Simon, preste, x s. Also I bequeathe that every one tenante of myne in Pinchinthorpe, in the resayte of ther nexte farme after my deathe, be allowed iij s. iiij d.; to Syr William Feldewe, my curate, v s.; to John Robenson and his wife one quie, one yowe and one lame; to Alis my wife all my sylver playte, and all my householde stuffe and beddinge; and all the resydue I bequeathe unto Alis my wife and George Conyeres my brother, whome I orden my hole executores. Also I bequeathe my unkle Ric. Grene, of Newby, esquier, one geldinge, whome I make my supervisor.

[Proved 16 June, 1552.]

CCX. THE WILL OF THOMAS HEBER, OF WEST MARTON, IN CRAVEN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 449.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande fyve hundreth ffourtie and eight, the xxviij

* In Graves' *Cleveland* it is stated that a branch of the Conyers family at an early period became lords at Pinchinthorpe, in the parish of Guisborough, and that by a marriage the Lee family obtained possession.

daye of Maye, I, Thomas Hayber,* of Westmerton, in Craven, holl of mynde and of perfitt remembrance, makes this my last will. First I commytt and yelde my soull to Almyghtie God, to His mother oure ladie Sancte Marie the virgyne, and to all the company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the parish church of Sancte Peter of Marton. Item I will that all duties be paid and given to the church accordinge to the lawes of God and of this realme. Item I will that suche ceremonyes and obsequies be used and done the daye of my buriall as shalbe thought convenyent by myne executors and other my frendes for the helthe of my soull and of all Christen soules, givinge to everie preste ther present viij d., and to every scoler j d., to praye for my soull. Item I give to my sone Raynald Hayber all my goodes moveable and unmoveable beinge at my house in Elslake, with the lease of the same house withe thappurtences, and all the yeres that I have therein yet not expired, all suche dettes as is to me owinge on the southe partie and southwest or southeste partie of the towne of Walerne. I give also to the same Raynald to have as his owne goodes thre score poundes sterlinge, which at this present remayneth in his owne custodie. Item I give to Margaret Walton, my servaunte, iij li. vj s. viij d.; to Robert Wilson xij s. iiij d.; to Richarde Bulcoke vj s. viij d.; to Stephan Walbanke vj s. viij d.; to Jennet Craven iij s.; to everie house in the parishe of Marton iiij d.; to Richarde Mankenolles iij li. of his owne goodes which remayneth in my kepinge. To Thomas Leche iiij s.; to William Atkynson vj li. xiij s. iiij d.; and to Margaret Leche, of Skipton, vj s. viij d.; and to Sir Richarde Wardman, preste, iij s. iiij d. Also I give to my sone Roger Heyber, and to his heres, londes in Skipton beforsaide to the yerlie valor of iij li. ij s., nowe in the severall tenures of Thomas Jakman, Richard Garnett, John Broune, Georgie Bell, Cuthbert Maburny and Gabriell Croke. Also I give to my said son Roger Heiber all suche my landes in Bollande as I latelie purchased of Rauf Grenacre, gentleman, comenlie callede Stephan parke. And if it forton the said Roger to die without heres mailes of his bodie, then I will that all the said landes in Bollande hollie remayne to the said Raynald Heyber, my sone, and to his heres for ever. Item I will that if the said Roger Hayber, my sone, at any tyme

* There is a pedigree of this family in Whitaker's *Craven*, where it states that he was son of Thomas Heber, and was first of Keighley, then of Elslack, lastly of West Marton. From his son Reynald descended the family at Marton, which did not expire in the male line till 1833, and which included Bishop Heber, and the great book collector, Richard Heber.

herafter do vexe, moleste or troble by any sute or action at the comon lawe or otherwise my said sonne Raynald Heyber, or his heres, for the title, use and occupacion of any such landes as I have given to the same Ranald and his heres, then I will that the same Roger have no parte of my goodes, and that then from suche tyme as the same Roger Heiber doth any thinge contrarie to this my mynde agaynst the saide Reynold, my sonne, that then the same Reynald shall have for ever the thirde parte of all such landes . . . . Item I give to the said Roger, if he be content with this my last will, tenne poundes for his portion of my goodes, to be taken of implementes, of householde cattell, and corne growing in the towne and feldes of Westmarton. The residue of all my goodes I give frelie to Roger Heiber and Reynalde Heiber, my sonnes, whom I ordan myne executors. Also I desier Sir William Blakborne, clerke, parson of Marton, and Thomas Jolie, the supervisors of this my last will; and the same M^r parson for his paynes vj s. viij d., and to the same Thomas Jolie vj s. viij d. Thes beinge witnes, Nicholas Hall, clerke, parson of Thornton in Craven, the said Sir William Blakborne, Henrie Herteley, Henrie Atkynson, William Atkynson, and diverse other.

This is the tenore of a codicile to this the last will of me, Thomas Heyber. First I will that wher I have geven to Roger Heyber my sone landes in Bowlande called Stephan Parke, to have to hyme and his heres males, nowe I will that Raynalde my sone shall have the same to hyme and his heres for ever. And further I will that the said Raynalde shall by his dede make assurance unto the said Roger of all such landes as he hath in fee simple by my dede and gifte in Mylnethorpe nyghe Wakefelde, to have to the said Roger and theres males of his bodie, and for defaulte of heres males to remayne to the said Reynalde. The xxix of Maye in the yere expressed in my last will.

[Proved 3 Oct., 1548.]

CCXI. THE WILL OF ISABELL CRAIKE, OF BISHOP BURTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 460.]

viij June, 1548. Isabell Craike,* of Bishopburton, widue. My bodie to be buried in the collegiate churche of Sancte John of Beverley within the closett of Sancte Michaell the archangell, so nighe unto the bodie of my late husbande, Robert Craike, esquier, as maye be convenyentelie. To my

* Widow of Robert Craike, of Beverley, whose will is printed No. LXXII in this volume

sone William Craike one rynge with a diamond in it, one salte of silver with a cover parcell gilte, with other stuf, as shall apper in the legacie herafter. To my sone Hugh Craike one rynge of gold with a camewe in it, one goblett of silver with a cover, with other stuf. To William Craike, sone and here to my sone Richard Craike, and to Frances, his wife, a gilte pott withoute a cover, the lest of towe gilt pottes, with other stuf; also if he will not be contente that my children have suche stuf in my house at Beverley that I have bequeathed theme, then I will that my aforesaide children shall have thes legaces which I have bequeathed unto the saide William Craike and his wif to be devided to my forsaid children. I give to the said William and Frances, his wif, all the stuf in the parlure and haull in my house in Beverley unbequeathed. To my god sone yonge Robert Craike, sone to William Craike, of Cottingham, half a dossan silver spoones with gilte endes, and one salte of silver without cover. To my doughter Alice Fawclif one pott of silver and thre spones of silver. To Edward Craike, the sone of Robert Craike, ij saltes of silver gilte with a cover, in recompence of one silver salte which his father shulde have hade by the gifte of his grandmother, dame Jane Rokebie, which was in the handes of Rauf Evers, knyght. To the said Edwarde Craike the grett gilte pott of silver with a cover, and half a dossan of my best silver spoones, one of them gilte; and my leace of high Grenwike and lowe Grenwike, with the stoke of foure hundreth wethers and ij hundreth yewes, to enter of them when he shalbe xxj yeres of adge, and in the mean tyme to be occupied as doth appere in this my will for the terme of my yeres, which appereth in a leace, and his mother Margaret Fitton hath promysed me that he shall have here leace of the said pastures when my yeres be expired. To the said Edwarde Craike my leace of Skitbie, which I had of M^r^ proveste, and wher as I have letten the pastures to my sone Hugh and William Turner, with the stoke of sex hundreth shepe, for sextene yeres, wherof v be expired, for xx li. yerlie, I will that the said some be devided, that is to saye, to my sone William Craike xl s., to my son Hugh xl s., and my doughter Fareclif xl s. To Geffraye Jeffrayson, for his paynes takyne in my busynes, xl s. To Sir Robert Barker, vicare of Burton, xx s.; and to the mending of highe wayes x s. I will that ix li. be taken of the xx li. To my doughter Isabell Craike iij li. vj s. viij d. yerlie, to be paid oute of the said shepe pastures. Also I will that Edwarde Craike, when he shall come to the adge of xxj yeres, shalbe bounde in one obligacon to my doughter Isabell Craike that he shall paye

to here or to here assignes during here lif iij li. vj s. viij d., or any other which shall occupie the said shepe pastures. If it fortune the said Edwarde departe oute of this worlde, or he come to the adge of xxj yeres, then I will that the vj hundreth shepe and the proffett of the pastures shalbe devided in towe partes, that is to saye, to the thre susters of Edwarde Craike, doughters to my sone Robert Craike. I bequeath to everie one of theme a hundreth shepe, with ther parte and proffett. Also I will that my son William Craike or his children have an hundreth shepe. Also I will my sonne Hughe Craike have a hundreth shepe, also that my doughter Alicie Fawclif have a hundreth shepe. To Gregorie Craike vj s. viijd., and to Robert Craike vj s. viij d., sones of my sone Richarde Craike, yerelie, to be paide oute of the xx li. The residue of my goodes not bequeathed shalbe equally devided emonges my children at the discrecon of my cosen, Sir William Babthorpe, knighte, to whome I bequeathe an hupe of gold and iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Mr Doctor Babthorpe iij li. vj s. iiij d. Also to Mr Robert Waide, Bachelor of Divinitie, iij li. vj s. viij d.; and to Mr Richarde Deyne iij li. vj s. viij d., for their paynes, whome I maike my executores. To Maister Geffrae Lee, esquier, xx s.; and to Mr Thomas Wentforthe, esquier, xx s.; whome I maike supervisores. I will my executors receive of Sir Rauf Elliker, knighte, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also where I have an obligacon of a hundreth markes of my brother William Percie, of Riton, for the performance of a closse called theiste felde, and if my saide brother Percie maike anye busines aganst my doughter Margarete Fitton, or her sone Edwarde Craike, then I will that my executores shall shew the obligacon to the use of Edwarde Craike. And where as I have a bill of xl s. of my nephewe Robert Percie, if he be good and lovinge frende to Edwarde Craike, then I will give hym the saide fortie shillinges, and if he will not I give the saide xl s. to Edwarde Craike. Thes being witnesses, Sir Geffrae Geffraeson, Sir Robert Barker and John Thompson, Sir Robert Collynson, Sir Nicholes Mel, clerkes, John Fitton, gentleman, and James Crancemore, yoman, and Isabell Craike. The legacies of the saide Isabell Craike, accordinge to her foresaid will:—To my brother William Percie xx s.; to my suster, his wife, one riall; to my neice a paire of lynne shetes; to my nevie Robert Percie, sone of William Percie, xx wethers. To my suster Anne Brakingeberie a paire of jeate beades; to William Craike, the sone and heir to William Craike, my sone, and to Fraunces, his wif, all my stuff within the greate chamber in Beverlae of my housse at the

Beckeside, that is to sae, the chamber hinginges of fullerie worke payntid, with one bed of cremisen satten and white, and the curtanes of reade sarcenet and blewe, withe the fedderbed and bolster of downe, one mattris, one paire of fustian blankettes, ij coverlettes, ij pilloberes and one coveringe of a bed of ymagerie warke unlyned, whiche cost me five pounde, and one plane coberte, a chiste, a longe setill, a thrawne chare, iij quishinges withe popingaes of them, one mattres, one fether bed, one bolster, one pare of wollen blankettes. To Fraunces Craike a paire of fine shetes of ij bredes, ij paire of rounde lynne and twentie yerdes of harden, a diaper borde clothe withe birde eyes, v diaper napkinnes, a diaper towell, ij playne towels, iij pilloberes, a borde cloithe of plain lyne, ij borde clothes of strykinges, a quishinge of yelawe silke, my litle ringe, the best of ij ringes with siphers in them, and half a garnishe of my best vessell, my great bras pot and the leaste counter in the haull, ij spittes and ij rackes, ij coverlettes, and a coveringe of Yorke warke. To William Craike and Fraunces, his wif, all the stuffe in the haule and parlor unbequeathed. To my sone William Craike all the stuffe in the west chamber towardes the streete, as a trussinge bed withe the teister and curtaynes of grene sae, a federbed, a bolster, a paire of wollen blankettes, ij coverlettes, two pillowes, and one coveringe withe the hanginge of grene sae paynted, a teaster for a bed maide of my lorde Cardinall armes, vj quishinges of tufftes withe birdes in them, my best borde cloithe of diaper withe sexe diaper napkinnes and one plane towell, my best carpet of parke warke. To Agnes, wif to my sone William Craike, a kirtle of blake satten, my greatest golde ringe of too that haithe saphires in them. To Robert Craike, the son of William Craike, xx s. To Leon Craike xx s. To Elizabeth Craike, her doughter, xx s. To my sone William Craike fortie wethers goinge on the same pastures, called Wetwange raikes, beside his former legacies. To my sone Hew Craike all the stuffe in the litle parlor in my house at Beverlae, as a trussinge bed hanged with dornixe yalew and reade, a feder bed, a bolster, a paire of blankettes, too coverlettes with a coveringe of crewles, a pillowe with the hanginges of blew and greyne cloithe. To my doughter in lawe Alice Craike, wif to my son Hew Craike, my best sleves of blake satten, a lettice bonett, a side sadle withe the harnes. To my sone Hew Craike fortie wethers going on the same pastures aforesaide, also a shorte carpet of fyne tuftes. To my sone in lawe Richard Fawneclif and Alice, his wif, all the stuffe beinge within the

chapell chamber at Beverlae, as a trussing bed, a fether bed, a bolster, a paire of wollen blankettes, ij coverlettes, a coveringe of imagerie warke, ij pillowes with the teaster and curtaynes of dornixe, and the hanginges of reade cloithe withe bordere of the same, a rede chist of wainscot, a flandres chist withe a rounde lid, a coffer the leist of ij, my holidae carpet of tuftes witheout borders, a coper caldron that she haithe in her handes, a new presser in the same chambre, vj workedae quishinges withe border on theim, ij lynne borde clothes, ij of my best candlestickes, ij warkedae candlestickes, a chafer of bras, my worst shod wayne, my petticoite of scarlet unlined, with a greate spit of yron and a kirtle of blake damaske. To my sone in lawe Richarde Farneclif and Alice, his wif, fortie wethers. To my doughter Isabell Craike the beddinge that I doo lie in, as a feder bed, a bolster, a pare of blankettes, ij coverlettes, a coveringe of ardor, a tester of dornixe with the valance of blewe bukkeram, a chiste coverid withe blacke leather, iij quishinges of dornixe, iij paire of lynne shetes, ij paire of rounde shetes, ij lynne borde clothes, ij rounde borde clothes, ij lynne towels, half a dossan playne napkinnes, iiij pilloberes, half a garnishe of pewder vessell, warkedae vessell, a litle bras pot and a newe bras pot, a posnet, ij candlestickes, a chamber basinge of latten, my best gowne of blake cloithe, my kirtle of blake taffore, my gowne which I were on the holie daie withe the kirtle and petticoite, my worst sleves of blake velvett and halfe of my worke daye railles and kerchifes, a trussinge bed, a teaster of paynted bukkeram, a new carpet of vardore, a spruse coffer and a flat chiste in the chapell chamber, also all the stuffe in the litle chamber, a standinge bed hangid withe greyne bukkeram and reade, and all the chambre hangid withe the sayme, withe a federbed, all belonginge therto, iij silver spones. To my doughter in law Margaret Fitton, laite wif to my sone Robert Craike, one ringe withe a nemerald in it duringe her lif, and after to remayne to her sonne Edwarde Craike, also iiij quarters of malt, ij quarters of wheate and ij quarters of barlie, the biggest of my two blacke coffers and all glasses. To Edwarde, sone of my son Robert Craike, my seconde coveringe lyned with blewe buckeram, and sixe of my best quishinges with roses on them, and my beste banker of tuftes withe yalowe, a longe quishinge of silke wroughte withe the nedle, a greate brasse pott, the least of iiij pottes, halfe a garnishe of pewder vessell, my leist copper kettell, a long spit of yron, a shorte carpet of tuftes, a stillitorie that is in my master, a bounde waine, withe too oxen. Also I will that William, the sone of Richarde Craike, have the farmolde of

Braswike mylne for thirtie yeres. To Edwarde Crake, beside his other legacies, one chist of wanescott in the great chamber at Burton, and one cobborde standinge in the entrie, one greate pan witheoute a bowe. To Sir Nicholes Mell vj s. viij d., to Sir Geffrae Jeffraeson vjs. viij d., to Sir Robert Collinson vj s. viij d., to Sir John Tomson vj s. viij d. To James Cransemore, my husbande kinseman, xx wethers and fortie shepe gaites of Greynewike. To Elisabeth Cransemore, his wif, a canne of pewder and a charger of pewder. To Isabell Larynders a charger of pewder, a pottell pot of pewder. To Antonye Fayrer, the Balie, v s. To my servaunte Margarett Carter, a paire of lynne sheites, a paire of harden, ij coverlettes, a bolster, a pillowe, a lynne borde cloithe, a lynne towell, a bras pot, a quarteron, a garnishe of pewder vessells, a milke cowe, and one matterice. To everie one of my maides a workedae kerchif and a raile. The saide Isabell bequeathed by hir worde. To Sir Robert Barker, vicare of Burton, fower quarters of barlie and too of wheate. The rest of my corne to Margarete Fitton and Alice Fawclif. To Margarete Percie xx s., to Lyon Craike certain land in Garton upon the Wolde to the value of xxvj s. viiij d. by yere, paying oute of the same to Marmaduke Craike xiij s. iiij d. for the terme of his lif.

[Proved 6 Nov., 1548.]

CCXII. THE WILL OF HENRY FARRER, OF EWOOD.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 597.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Vicesimo quinto die mensis Junij, 1548, I, Henrie Ferror,* of Ewewood, of hooll mynde and perfite memorie, thanks be to God, make my laste will. Firste I bequeath my soule unto Almightie God, my maker and Redemer, my bodie to be buried within the churche of Heptonstalle, and my mortuarie to the Vicare therof accordinge to the Kinges statutes. Also I ordane Agnes Ferrar, my wif, and Agnes Ferrar, my yongest dowghter, myne executrices, unto whom I give all my hooll goodes and cattalles and dettes. Also I give unto the said Agnes, my wife, and Agnes, my doughter, all those my messuages, landes, tenementes, medowes, woodes, pastures, rentes, reversions and services in Midgelaie, called the overr Wheytleleygthe, nowe in the tenure of me, Robte Helywell, John Hyen, Thomas Helywell, Christofer Helywell, and

* The testator heads the pedigrees in Watson's *Halifax* and in Foster's *Yorkshire Families*, but it would almost seem by this will that they want alteration.

Henrie Gawmforthe, because they ar holden by sokraige tenure unto thend and terme of xj yeres be fullye complete and ended nexte imediately after my decease to the use, prefarmente and mariage of the saide Agnes, my doughter, and towardes the painge of my dettes. Also I orden John Ferror of the Elffaburghe, John Horsfall, of Stoythlaye, William Ferror and Henrie Ferror, my sones, the supervisors of this my present will. Thies witnes, John Ferror, of Averode, Henrie Gawmfforthe, Robert Bentlaie, clerke, and other.

[Proved 26 Nov., 1549.]

CCXIII. THE WILL OF EDITH BAILDON, OF BAILDON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 448.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiij daie of the moneth of Julij, in the yere of our lorde God a thousande five hundrethe fortie eghte, that I, Edithe Baildon,* of hool mynde and good remembrance beinge, makithe this my laste will. First I give my soule to God Almightie, my maker and Redemer, to our blissed ladie Sancte Marie Virgine, and to all the holie companye in heven, and my bodie to be buried within the chapell of Sancte John Evangeliste at Baildon. I give to Sir Richarde Cawdrae, my gostelie father, iij s. iiij d.; to Elisabethe Leyke ij s.; to Jennett Baildon all my rayment. The residue of all my goodes due unto me concernynge my childes porcon, the whiche my brother Robert Baildon haithe in his kepinge and governance, my will fulfilled and I broughte furthe, withe all other dueties discharged, I give to my foresaide brother Robert Baildon, his wif and his children. Also I make my brother, Mr. Robert Baildon, my executor of this my laste will to se that it be fulfilled. Thes beinge witnesses, Sir Richarde Cawdrae, Richard Steide and Lawrence Lister, withe other, as William Williamson.

[Proved 14 Dec., 1548.]

CCXIV. THE WILL OF JANE STRELLEY, OF STRELLEY, GENTLEWOMAN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 522d.]

Oct. 19, 1548. Jane Strilley, of Strilley, laite of Southewell, gentlewoman. My bodie to be buried in Christian buriall in some convenient place within the parishe churche where it shal. fortune me to depairte furthe of this worlde. To Anne Markeham, wif to Sir John Markehame, knighte, my best

* Daughter of John Baildon of Baildon. Her brother Robert was groom of the Chamber to Henry VIII. and attended him to the Field of the Cloth of Gold. He married Margaret, daughter of Peter Mirfield.

federbed in the highe chamber, withe all thinges belonginge to the same, and my rounde hoope of golde, for a remembrance to prae for me. To my ladie Strelley, wif to Sir Nicholes Strelley, knighte, my salte of silver withe the cover, and my ringe of golde with the diamonde in it, to prae for me. To Alice Strelley, their doughter and my god doughter, my ringe of gold withe a turkes in it, to prae for me. To Jane Strelley, their doughter and my god doughter, a spone of silver gilte, to prae for me. To Jayne Wodeforde, my god doughter, xl s. of that xiij li. vj s. viij d. that my cosyne Sir Nicholes Strelley, knighte, owithe to me, and the residue of the sayme I give to Isabell, Alice, Jane, Nicholes, John and Henrie, his children, to be equally devided emonge them. To my neice, Anne Emerson, my greate goblet of silver doble gilte, whiche was her mothers, my new bonet of velvett, and my frontelet of violett velvett. To Anne Haule, wif unto Rainolde Haule, a silver spoone, to prae for me. To my suster, Elisabeth Cade, xl s. yerlie, to be taken and perceyved of my farme of Gedlinge. To my cosine, Elisabethe Leeke, other xl s. yerlie, to be taken and perceyved of my saide farme duringe the said yeres. To Robert Revell, my servaunte, vj s. viij d. yerlie, to be taken and perceyved of my saide farme. And the residue of my said rent, whiche is xiij s. iiij d., I will the same Robert shall give to poore folkes twyse everie yere, againste Christenmes and efter, duringe the yeres that I have in the same, in manner and forme followenge, that is to wit, to poore folkes in Southwell vj s. viij d. yerlie, and to poore folkes in Lyndebie iij s. iiij d. yerly, and to poore folkes in Strelley iij s. iiij d. yerlye, the reparacons of the sayme to be borne evenly emonges them that have the bequestes gyven unto them, after the rayte of their porcons. To my saide cosyn (523) Elisabeth Leeke, my chamlett gowne and kirtill, my skarlett petticoite, my best fedderbed save one, a bolster, ij pillouse, ij of my best coverlettes, too paire of blankettes, and a paire of shetes, and one ringe of golde, and the coffer at my beddes fete. To Pek wif ij s., to prae for me. To Robert Revell, my servaunte, my too kie, and to his wif my lambecke and my bras pott to set it on. To my cosin, Doctor Basset, my litle goblet of silver that I use to drinke in in mornynges. To Sir Edward Brerelae, preste, my gretter goblett of silver withe the cover to the same, and my basen and ewer of pewder, to prae for me. To my cosine, Elesabeth Leke aforesaid, my other goblet of silver. To Sir Edmunde Kingestone, parishe vicare of Southewell, for forgotten tithes, iij s. iiij d., to prae for me. To Maistrice Lee a spoone of silver gilte; and to Geffrae Lee, my godson,

a spone of silver. To the persone of Strelley iij s. iiij d., to prae for me. To Sir Christofer Sawer, preste, iij s. iiij d., to prae for me. To Maistres Margarete Smythe, widue, to John Dankes wif, to Ellyne Salvayne, wydoe, and to everie of them, a silver spoone, to prae for me. To Margarete Harvie, sometyme my mayden, xx s., to prae for me. To Jayne Wrighte, my god doughter, a spone of silver. To the abovenaymed Elisabeth Leeke, my cosine, my tenement or housse in Southwell that I dwell in, and the yerde belonginge to the same to the stuppe of the southe side of my broode yaites to the one half of the landes and garden belonging to the same. To have and to holde the sayme to the saide Elisabeth and her assignes frome the dae of the departure of me furthe of this worlde to the ende and terme of xviij yeres then next and ymediately followenge. To the abovenaymed Robert Revell, my servaunte, in pairte of recompence of his good service doone to me, the housse of myne in Southewell aforesaide that he nowe dwellithe in, withe that pairte of the yerde frome the saide housse to the saide stuppe of the southe syde of the saide broode yates, and the half of my landes and garden aforesaid. To have (*&c., as before*). The residue to my saide ladie, Anne Markeham, wif to the saide Sir John Markeham, knight, whome i orden myne executrixe of this my saide testament and last will, she to dispose them for the healthe of my soule at her descrecon. To my saide coysine, Eliz. Leeke, my best bras potte, my best pan, vj platters, vj dishes and sox salcers of pewder, and too candlestickes. To my nephewe, William Caide, my best fedderbed save too, a bolster, too pillouse, a paire of blankettes, a paire of shetes, and a bras potte. Thies beinge witnes, Thomas Poker, persone of Strelley, John Millington, otherwise called John Cooke the elder, John Millingeton the yonger, Gabriell Hoges of Strelley, and Robert Revell of Southwell, and Edward Brerelay.

[Proved 16 May, 1547.]

CCXV. THE WILL OF THOMAS MIDDLETON, OF SPOFFORTH, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 498.]

In the name of God, Amen. The ixth daye of Novembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande fyve hundreth fourtie and eight, I, Thomas Myddleton,* of Spofforde parke, esquier, holl of mynde and perfitt of remembrance, makith

* He died in the lifetime of his father, Sir William Midleton of Stockheld, whose will comes later on. He married Margaret, daughter of Sir William Gascoigne, of Gawthorp.

this my last will. Firste I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie aungelles and company of heven, my bodie to be buried within oure ladie quere in the churche of Alhallos in Spofforde. I bequeath unto Peter Mydleton, my sonne, landes in Whetley, in the said countie of Yorke, nowe in the tenure of John Whithede, to the clere yerlie value of liij s. iiij d., during the lif of Sir William Mydleton, knyght, my father. To Henrie Myddleton, my sonne, landes in Whetley to the clere yerlie value of xl s., for terme of lif of Sir William Mydleton, knyght, my father. To Alice Mydleton, my doughter, landes in Glusborne to the clere yerlie valor of xl s. I will that all such annuyties shalbe yerlie paide by thandes of John Mydleton, sonne and here of me. To my doughter Goodrede,* at the discression of the said John, one geldinge. I give unto Peter Mydleton, of Stockelde Parke, all my estate and entereste of one close called Gilberde Holme, and Jacke closse in Wodhall. I give to Alice Mydleton, doughter of the saide Peter Mydleton, one quye. To Katheryne Pears, my servaunte, for here fathfull and diligent service, the lease of one cottage buylded and thre acres of lande in Ribstone, and tenne sheppe and ij lambes, the crope of the corne that is in the laith there and upon the grounde, ij kie of the beste that she will choise, and one paire of the beste coverlettes, a cupborde, a pressoure beinge in the custodie of Richarde Pears, her father, opon this condicon, that if the said Katheryne Pears at any herafter do marie or take to husbande one William Bayne that then my bequeste to be to all purposes void, and if the said Katheryne do marie any other person other then the said William Bayne, then I will she take all suche parcelles of goodes and catteles as before is expressed. I give unto the children of my sonnes in lawe, Edmunde Thwenge and Henrie Witham, gentlemen, all suche somes of money as I have layde oute aboute the executinge and settinge forthe of my brother Peter Mydleton last will, as well for dettes and costes aboute the same. I give unto the said children the some of fifteen pounde which was given unto me by my saide brother, Peter Mydleton, in legacie, as doth appere by his last will, which somes of money I will that they be equallie divided emongst theme, that is to saye, the one half to the children of the said Edmunde Thwenge and the other half to the children of Henrie Witham. Item residue of all my goodes to Alice Mydleton and Isabell Mydleton, my doughters, whome I make my full and holl

* Her husband was Henry Goodrick, of Ribston.

executors. I make my sonne John Mydleton to be supervisor. I give him one graye horse that goeth at the londe house. In the presencie of Thomas Slyngesbie, Peter Slyngesby, esquiers, Marmaduke Coghill, gentleman, Richarde Baitson, clerke, and Thomas Westoo, with other moo.

[Proved 23 March, 1548-9.]

CCXVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS GOWER, OF STAINSBY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 504.]

17 Dec., 1548. Thomas Gower,* of Staynesbie, esquier. To be buried within my parishe of Staynton. I give to Custance, my wif, my best silver salte with one coveringe, and all my silver spones, and all other my implementes of housholde, what so ever they be, within my said maner. To Custance, my wif, and Philipe, my yongest sone, all and everie parte of my goodes after my legacee, bequestes and funeral expenses be fully satisfied. I give to Thomas Gower, James Gower, Cuthbert Gower and Philipe Gower, every one of theme one yonge horse, to be equallie devided emonges theme by lote. Also I give to my son Rauf Graye one of the best horses. To Jayne Conyers, my doughter, my secunde silver salte with one coverynge, and towe kie. To the wif of Thomas Gower, the sone of Nicholas Gower, decessed, ij kie and ij quyes. To John Humfraye and Margaret, his wif, ij stottes and ij kie. To Nicholas Bulman, my servaunte, one yonge horse and one yonge cowe. To Audrie Graye, his childes portion, whiche I receyved for hyme, and as moche more as his childes portion comes unto in such like thinges as I receyved for hyme. To Robert Gower vj yewes and vj gymbers and one yonge cowe. To Custance, my wif, my lease of Pickton and of Thormonbie, and all my corne as well sowne as unsowen, to helpe to kepe here house withall, and also the thirde of all my goodes and the half of the deathes parte, and the other half to my sone Philipe as I have before declared. The residue of my said goodes to Thomas Gower, James Gower, Cuthbert Gower and Philipe Gower, my sonnes, equally. To Elisabeth Jake one yonge cowe or one quye. To Agnes Thompson towe kie gaite in the Satlinge felde in Somer, and in the Fogge felde in Wynter in Staynsbie duringe her lif. I give my best maire and v markes to Thomas Gower, sone of Nicholas

* There is a pedigree of Gower of Stainsby in Glover's *Visitation*, p. 267. The testator appears to have married a daughter of Sir Nicholas Forster, of Northumberland. His eldest son, Nicholas, died in his lifetime, leaving a son, Thomas, who married Elizabeth Rokeby, of Mortham.

Gower, decessed, whom I make my sole executor, and I make Rauf Gower, my brother, Christofer Lepton and George Conyers, esquiers, supervisors. Witnes, Sir John Smythe, clerke, Henrie Warcope, gentleman, Thomas Teasdale, curate of Staynton, Sir Marmaduke Teisdale, clerke, Robert Owers, Sir William Mothersall, clerke, John Humfraye, and other.

[Proved 2 March, 1548-9.]

CCXVII. THE WILL OF KATHERINE HOLME, OF PAUL HOLME.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 602.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the xxv daie of the moneth of Decembre, in the yere of oure lorde God a thousande five hundreth fortie and eghte, and also in the seconde yere of oure soverayne lorde Kinge Edwarde the sixte, I, Kateryne Holme,* laite wife to William Holme, gentleman, withe a full mynde and good remembrance, makithe my laste will on this manner followenge. First I witto my soule to God Almyghtye, to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the faire companye of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of oure blissed ladie of Paule. First I wit and give my lease whiche I have of Newton garthe to Edwarde Holme, Martyn Kirk and John Beysbie, and if it forton that anye of the saide children die, as God forbid they sholde, then their porcon shall goo to theire moders, and my sone John Holme to be the peare of the sayme, and to have the oversight of it to they come to lefull aige. And I give to my children, fower boyes, everie one of them, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I witto seven doughters, whiche children as my sones and my doughters, to everie one of them xl s. Also I witto my thre sones, everie one of them, xx s.; and to my thre doughters, everie one of them, x s. Also I give to Eunice Forderbie vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Also I give to everie one of my god children xx d. Also I give to Sir Thomas Chaplayn xx d.; to Sir Richarde Parkynson, vicar, iij s. iiij d. Also I give to Roberte Holme iij s., and to John Moore iij s. Also I witto Rauf Leggarde vj s. viij d. Also I witto to everie servaunte in this house iiij d. I will that my sone Paule Kirke and my sone John Beisbie and their wifes seall my executores all ther acquietance of all manner of matters by past. Also I will that my sone Paule Kirke and my sone John Beisbie shall receyve their children porcons of my executor to they come to lefull age. Residue of all my goodes moveable and not moveable, my dettes paid and

* Widow of William Holme, Esq., of Paul Holme, whose will was dated 24 March, 1541. She appears to have been daughter of Piers Hildyard.

funerall expenses deducte, I give and wit to John Holme, my sone, whiche I make my true executore, that he may dispoise my goodes for healthe of my soul as he thinkes best. Witnes herof, Sir Richarde Parkynson, vicar, Willm. Newton and John Nioll, withe other moo.

[Proved 3 Jan., 1549–50.]

CCXVIII. THE WILL OF CHRISTOPHER LISTER, OF MEDHOPE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 510.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, Christofer Lister,* of Medehoppe, esquier, the sexte dae of Februarie, a thousande five hundrethe fortie and eghte, make my will. First I bequeathe my soule to Almightie God, our blissed ladie the virgine Sancte Marie, and all the holie angels of heven, and my bodie to be buried in the parishe churche of our ladie of Gisborne, to the curaite wherof I will my mortuarie be paide accordinge to the lawes of this realme, and all suche obsequies to be done at my funeralles and the dae of my buriall as shalbe thought convenable by thadvise of my children frendes and executor. I will also that my said executor give in almosse the dae of my buriall to certen suche poore folkes where shalbe thoughte most charitie xl s., and to every prest their present that dae at my buriall and oder obsequies eght pence, and to everie clerke ij d. Item I give and bequeathe to Elline, my wif, the thirde pairte of all my goodes not bequeathed in this my laste will, wherof I have reall possession at the daye of my deathe, accordinge to the auncient lawdable custome of the realme of Englande, and will and comaunde my sone William Lister that he of childelie love and favor and of his honest demeanor and good humanytie to use her so in departure withe the same goodes as he mae aswell discharge his conscience before God, as also desire in his hert and honest dealinge my dalie blissinge, and to doo as the wyse man comandithe hyme, that he honore his parentes not as God but as goddis. Item I will that my said wif Ellyne have suche porcon of my landes as the lawes of this realme will give her, and that frelie, hartelie and gentlely, withoute vexacon, suete or trouble as moche as mae be. Item I geve to my doughters Elisabeth, Isabell and Anne thre hundrethe markes, that is, to everie of them severallie one hundreth markes towarde

* Son and heir of William Lister, of Midhope, whose will is LXXIX in this volume. He is said to have married Helen, daughter of John Clayton, of Newton.

the preferment of the mariedge of everie of them being unmaried the dae of my deathe. And I will the same money be leavied of my goodes and landes at suche tymes as be appoynted herin, within fyve yeres after and imediately followenge after the dae of my deathe if they be unmaried at the dae of my deathe. And if it fortonne that myne executor cannot raise the same some of my goodes in conveniable tyme, then I will the survivours of this my will that they see the same thre hundreth markes be levied of the rentes of all my landes in Medop and Remyngton, and of all my landes in Colne and in Whalley, till suche tyme as the saide somes of money be paide to my saide doughters. Item I will and comande all my saide doughters that they in takinge of their husbandes take thadvise and councell of William Medope, gentleman, Thomas Lister, of Westbie, gent., Lawrence Lister, my brother, gentleman, Richarde Leversage, gentleman, and in caise the saide my doughters taike their owen pleasore in elecon of their saide husbandes withoute the counsell of ther saide frendes, then I will that their bequestes before to them given shalbe abriged at the discrecon of the saide William, Thomas, Lawrence and Richard to the some of fortie poundes or above to the saide hoole one hundreth markes at their discrecon. Item I give to my saide sone, William Lister, my yonge graie horse and a bae meare called Close mere and her twoo followers, all suche small parcelles of plaite as I nowe have and all my husbandrie geare, all my tymber, olde and newe, all my slaite, stoone and frestone, a chalice, silver and gilte, and a golde ringe, beinge my signett, one greate brasse potte, a stepinge fatte withe too great brewinge fattes and a keler, all my meate tables and iij greate arkes. Also these parcelles aforenaymed as plaite and other thinges forto continewe as heire lomes, except horses and meares and other quikke goodes. Also I give to Margarete Wadingeton, my neice, a twynter quye. To Elsabeth Walton, my servaunte, a twinter quye. To my doughter Levesae a faire yonge hawked cowe, and to Ellyne Levesaye, her doughter, a quye stirke. I give to my wif an ambelinge white nag, to Richarde Levesaye, my sone in lawe, a geldinge. The residue of my goodes I comyt to thorder of my saide sone and heire Willyame Lyster, whome I orden my sole executor. Also I make the supervisoures of this my last will the right worshipfull Sir John Tempest, knighte, and Sir Thomas Langton, Barron of Walton, knyghte, and desier them to se that this my will be truelie performed and to be good

maisters to my wif and children. In witnes wherof, John Lambert, of Calton, thelder, Roger Medoppe, Laurence Lyster, Thomas Lyster, Richarde Levesaye, gentlemen.

[Proved 9 May, 1549.]

CCXIX. THE WILL OF STEPHEN TEMPEST, ESQ., OF BROUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 592.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xvj day of Aprile, in the yere of oure lord God, 1549, I, Stephen Tempest,* of Broughton, esquyer, seike in bodie but hooll of mynd and perfecte remembrance, makes my testament in maner and forme foloyng. Furst I bequeathe my saull to Almyghtie God, oure blissed ladie Virgyne Marie, and the companye of heven, and my bodie to be beried in my parishe churche of Broughton. Also I will that my executours see my beriall be done and accomplisshed after lawdable sorte and maner. Also I will xl s. be destributed emong the poorest people within the parishe of Broughton. Also I bequeath to my curate, in consideracon of tithes either not dulie rekened or forgettyn, ij s. Also I bequeath to my servauntes, William Edmondson, William Greyne, Thomas Cloughe, Robert Ebotson, James Smyth and Nicolas Jaikes, xx s., equalie to be divided emonges them over and besides theire wadges. To Margerete Tempest one cowe. Also I will that Stephen Tempest, my son, have suche landes as I have yeven to hym by a deid, as by the same moore playnlie doith appere, to whome also I bequeath xx li. of goodes or money, and will that my son Henrie be good broder unto hym, and that he be serviciable unto his broder. Also I will that my executours delyver unto my nece Margarete Pudsaye xvj li. whiche I do owe to her, to whom I bequeathe also iiij li. Item I bequeath to Sir Christofer Wiglesworthe, preist, xl s. Also I will that my chaplayne Sir Thomas have meate and drynke with my wif Anne and my son Henrie, and that they agree to handle hym honestlie, and if they shulde, as God forbede, agayne my will and mynd, to disagree, then I will that they see hym contented and paid iiij li. Also I will that my said wif and sone shall kepe theire goodes together, and kepe howse together as moder and childe, and that my said son Henrie be not onlie favorable but also obediente to my said wif, as he will have my blissing. Also I will that

* He married, first, Agnes, daughter of Wm. Lister, of Midhope, by whom he had a son Henry; secondly, Anne Preston. From him descends Major Tempest, who is still living at Broughton, and whose wife, Mrs. Tempest, has given several notes for this volume.

my said wif have and enyoe quyetelie suche lodgyng as is benethe the floore of the haull duryng her widdoheade. Also I will that after my dettes, legacies and funerales dischardged, the residue of my goods remayne to the said Anne, my wif, and my son Henrie equalie, whom I make my executours. Also I make supervisours my very and singlar good lord the right honorable Erle of Combreland and maister Robert Chaloner, besechyng them of charitie to se not onelie this my last will fulfilled, but also to maynetayne my said wif and sone in all theire rightuouse causes, and to se them kepe betwixte them a quyete order accordding to my mynde here bifore in this my will declared. And to my said good lord I bequeath a silver spoyne with a forke to eate suckett withe, and to maister Chaloner for his paynes fyve marc. Thies beyng wittenes, Thomas Leighe, esq., William Blakeburne, clerke, Stephen Elles, clerke, Thomas Casse, yoman, William Ellysone, Robert Oxenhirde and James Elles.

[Proved 31 Oct., 1549, by the executor.]

CCXX. THE WILL OF PERCIVAL LINDLEY, OF LEATHLEY, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 653.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiij day of Aprill, in the yere of our Lord God, 1549, I, Parcevall Lyndley, of the towne of Leighley, gentleman, beyng of hoole mynde towardes Almyghtie God and perfecte remembrance, do ordeyne this my laste will. Furst I committe my saull to the blissed Trinitie, with all the celestiall company of heven, and my bodie to be beried within my parishe churche of Leithley, in the south side there nyeghe unto my wif. Also I gif to the parsone of Leithley, my curate, to pray for me, vj s. viij d.; to my parishe churche, for my beriall and to be praid fore, iij s. iiij d. Also I bequeath to Rauf Dicconson, my kynsman, on coite at the discretion of my son Sir Edward and my cousing Laurentie Lyndley, and the residue of my rayment to be divided among poore folkes at there too discretions. Also I bequeath to my said son Sir Edwarde Lyndley on silver spoyne, and to Laurentie Lyndley on silver spoyne, and to John Lyndley on silver spone, and thies spoynes to be delyvered by my said son Sir Edward and my cousyng Laurentie. Also I gif to everye on of my sones childer and my doughtours childer xvj d., excepte thos that shall have silver spoynes. Also I bequeath to Rauf Colton ij shepe; to Agnes Brown on cowe and foure shepe; to the poore folkes in Leithley xx s. to be praid for, and to

be divided to them by my said son Sir Edward and my cousyng Laurentie with the advise of my curate where they thinke the moste nede. Also I bequeath to the amenddyng of the highe wayes aboute the towne of Leitheley iij s. iiij d.; to the churche of Lathley my best coverlett to do servicie there to the honor of God, if it may be so permitted and allowed, and els the said coverlett to be sold and the price therof to be yeven to the churche use and profitte. Also I bequeath to every on of my god childer iiij d. Also I gif to my doughtor Gracie Angrome ij gymmer shepe; to my servauntes Xpofer Hodgeson and Agnes Dibbe, to either of them a yowe and a lame. Also I gif towardes the making of on wynddo in the churche, for light for divine servicie to be had in the said churche, v s.; to my son Sir Edward iiij li., to be takyn of my goodes, and to my said cousyng Laurentie xl s. and on balde stag, for ther paynes about this my will, and they to pay my dettes and legacies of my hoole goodes, with all funerall chardges, and the residue, after all doyne afore mentioned, to be destributed emongest my poore kynsfolkes and other poore people at the discretion of my said son and my cousyng, whome I make my executours. Thes wittenes, Henrie Johnson, esquyer, Miles Walker, parson of Leighley, William Grene, William Fenteman, Roberte Moyses and Richard Jenkynson.

[Proved 2 Oct., 1550.]

CCXXI. THE WILL OF SIR WILLIAM MAULEVERER, OF WOTHERSOME, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 814.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxiiijth day of Maye, a thousand fyve hundreth xlix, I, William Maleverey,* of Woddersome, knyght, not seke in bodye, but of good and perfyte remembrance, knowing the uncerteyntie of this transitorie lyff, intendithe to dispose aswell my goodes and cattelles personall or reall, ordineth and maiketh this my last will. First I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, my bodye to be buryed where it shall please God me to departe. Item I will that everye of my housholde servauntes that is with me in service at the day of my death have one quarter wages over and besides that waige that is owinge unto theme the day of my death, and my house to be kept one quarter of one yere after my death that my servauntes may

* Son of Robert Mauleverer, Esq., whose will is printed in *Testamenta Eboracensia*, iv, 40. He was knighted at Flodden, 1513. He died 10 August, 1551, and was buried at Bardsey. His eldest son James died in his lifetime, leaving three daughters. The will of his second son, Robert, is in this volume, page 119.

have meat and drynke to they be provided of service. Also I geve to Elinor Maleverey, doughter of my sonne Leonard Malevereye, whose soull God pardon, xx markes of currantte monye of England over and besides xx markes whiche I have in my kepinge of hir childes porcone, and that she and yt be at the ordering of my cosing Leonard Malevereye of the Dale towne unto such tyme as she shall accomplesse the aige of xxj yeres, and then the said Elinor to have the said some to hir proper use if she be not maried or other wise promoted by me or other of hir frendes, and if she departe out of this transitorye life affore she accompleshe the said aige of xxj yeres, then beinge unmaried or promotede, then I will that Alice Busse, sister to the said Elinor, have the said xx markes over hir childes porcone if the said Alice be then livinge, and if the said Alice be dead the said xx markes to be divided egallye to the children of the said Alice yf she have any livinge, as they shall accompleshe the aige of xvij yeres; and if the said Elinor and the children of the said Alice dye before the tyme that the said xx markes shulde be deliverede to theme then I will the said xx markes to Thomas Maleverey, yonger son to my son Robert, whose soull God pardone, and if the said Thomas dye then I will that the said xx markes be delivered to Dorothe Key and Anne Lyghe, sisters to the said Thomas, and if the said Dorothe and Anne dye before the said xx markes be unto them delivered then I will that the said xx markes be delivered to Alice Maleverey, mother to the said Dorothe and Anne. Also where I have a lease of the manor of Manston and of landes in Manston, Westgarforth, Kirkgarforthe, Leedes, Althrope, Skoles and Secroft for sex yeres of the demise of Christofer Marshall, gentleman, and Thomas Barone, preist, to begynne imediatlye after my death, w^th^out any rentt paying for the same, I give all the said term of sex yeres to my executor to the entente that of the profettes they shall geve to Alice Barker, doughter of my doughter Barker, xx li. towardes the preferment of hir mariage at suche tyme as she shall accompleshe the aige of xviij yeres if she be livinge and unmaried. Also I will that my executors shall geve of the issues of the said manor xx li. to Alice Myddilton, doughter of Thomas Myddylton, esquier, deceassed, towarde the preferment of hir mariage with in one yere next after deithe, yf she then be livinge. Item I give to the said Thomas Maleverey of the profettes of the said manor cc markes, to be delivered him when he shall accomplish the aige of xxj yeres and not before, and yf the said Thomas dye having no children I will that the said cc markes to be egallye devided emonges

theme. I maike my executors my doughter Alice Maleverey, wedowe, late wif of my said sonne Robert Maleverey, lait deceissed, whose soull God pardon, and Edmunde Maleverey, sonne of the said Robert Maleverey and eldest brother to the forsaid Thomas; and I geve to the said Alice xx li. for hir labore, and all the residue of my goodes aswell my leases I geve to the said Edmonde to his own proper use, my dettes first paid, my funerall expenses executed. I maike supervisor the Right Worshepfull Sir Christofer Danby, knyght, and my cosyn Sir Raufe Maleverer, preist, and they to have eyther of theme one horse the best they will choose. Thes beinge present, Raufe Maleverer, clerke, Xpofer Marshall, gentleman, John Hudson, preist, Charles Hopkenson, yeoman.

[Proved 16 Jan., 1551-2.]

CCXXII. THE WILL OF JOHN WIDMERPOOL, OF WIDMERPOOL.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 589.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, John Wydmerpole, of Wydmerpole, gentilman, beyng of hooll and perfecte mynde and memorie, and not seike in bodie, savyng for my decrepite age, thankes be to God, makes my last will and testament, the xxv daye of July, in the yere of our Lord m[l]dxlix[th], the thirde yere of the reigne of Kyng Edwarde the sexte, by the gratie of God Kyng of England, Franc and Ireland, defendour of the faithe, and supreme heade of the Churche of England and Ireland, in erth next under God, in maner and forme folowyng. Furst I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, the Fader, the Son, and the Holie Goost, three parsones and one God. Item I bequeath my bodie to be beried in the churche of Widmerpole, and I gif to the churche iij s. iiij d. To Mudwyn, my wif, iiij li. feoffament, being in Wischave, as is expressid by a deede of feoffament, and yet I do this to put her in more surtie of the same. To the poore mens boxe xx d. To Edwarde, my son, the greate cheste that my evidentie is in, and three bordes in the haull. To the parishe towardes byeng of bookes iij s. iiij d. To Frances Brokesbie a cowe that is at his faders, and my velvett jerkyn. To Sir John Markeham, [illegible] to praye for me, xx d. Residue to Mowdwen, my wif, whome I do make sole executrice to performe this my last will, and I make Sir John Constable the supervisor herof. These beyng witenes, Sir John Constable, knyght, Maister [illegible] Perpoyntt, doctor of lawe, Sir John Markeham, preist.

[Proved 9 Oct., 1549, by Mudwen, the relict.]

CCXXIII. THE WILL OF EDMUND KINGSTON, PARISH VICAR OF SOUTHWELL.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 570*d*.]

July 26, 1549. Edmunde Kyngstone, parishe vicar of Southwell. My bodie to be beried within the churche yerde of oure ladie of Southwell, nyghe unto my frende, John Palmer. Item I will that xx s. be yeven the daye of my berial unto poore men and women within my parishe, and also that an honest dynnar be maid for al thos that offer with me that day. Item I will that everye on of my brether of the churche have vj d., and every stranger iiij d. Item every querester present ij d., and too clerkes iiij d. To my suster, Agnes Johnson, one side gowne, lyned in the forequarters with tawney satten of Sipresse. To my cousyng, Elsabeth Johnson, a mattres, a fedderbed with a newe tilke, a bolster, a pillo with a beere, ij coverlettes, on blankkett, a peire of sheites, all the hyng[ynges] about the bed of red and yowloo, with the testour of the same bed of waynescotte, a pare of bed bordes, a cownntter, an ambre, iiij formes of auvkewarke, a greate chaire, a bord clothe, vj table napkyns, ij platers, ij dishes, ij sawcers, ij candilstikes, a pewter bassyn, a spitt, a pare of cobyrnes, a chawffyng dishe withe a foote. Item I bequeath my ladie Sutton a lymbeke of tyn. To my hosties, Margarete Smythe, my rushell gowne, a fedder bed, a bolster, a greate pilloo, a coverlett, a pare of blankkettes, a pare of sheites, my best covereyng, the hyngynges about the bed of red and yowloo, and a bed steede of foure postes carved. To Edward Wymfold a rownnde table, a booke called *The flower of the ten commandementes*, and all my gramer bookes. To Elsabethe Wymfold a litle bord with a coffer in it, a pewter platter, a dishe, a sawcer, a mortar of brasse with a pestell. To Thomas Smythe a long bord, a forme, a pewter platter, a pewter dishe, a sawcer, a payntted clothe of grett warke. To Nicholes Smythe a cownntter, a platter, a pewter dishe and a sawcer. To Margarete Hornynghold an old side gowne, lyned with freise, a platter, a dishe, a sawcer, a posnett, a litle pan, and x s., the whiche thinges I will shalbe in the kepyng of my hosties. To Jane Hornynghold fyve whissynges, a coveryng of a bed with flowres, and a paire of sheites. To Sir John Hownghton a booke called *Rationale Divinorum et Summa Angelica*. To my gossope, Nicholas Bloustone, a paynnted clothe of the pictour of the King opon it. To Mastres Haull a lynyn sheite. To Thomas Weldon my bowe, my bracer, a shottyng glove, and to his wif a diapour towell. To Maistres Palmer

a pictour of Marie Maglene. To Sir William Aleyne my shorte gowne. To my gossope Robertson a paynnted clothe, havyng three doctours opon it, and to his good wif a towell, and to my godson Edmunde Robertson xij d. To Maister Tikhill a velvett purse, and to Maister Hopkyns a cape. To Maister Lockesmythe* a booke called *Casus decretalium et doctorum*. To Sir Orphewe my best tippett of sarsnett. To every servaunte in my hostes house, to pray for me, viij d. To my woman my kelter gowne, a jackett of freise, a paire of hoosen, a sheirte, too loodes of wod, and iij s. iiij d. To Margarete, that dwelleth in my house, an old sheirte and xij d. To Alexander Marton a petticotte of red clothe, a forme and a chaire. To Sir Nicholas Adamson a blake furre of lambe, my best bonett, and a tippett lyned with blake conye. To Maister Willowbe a jackett of wolsted, a greate cheste, a booke called *Chawcer*, and my booke of *Merie Conceytes*. The residue I will shalbe divided emong my suster childer at the discretion of Sir Nicholas Adamson, John Willowbe and Margaret Smythe, whome I do make my executours. Thies beyng wittenes, Thomas Weldon, Sir William Aleyn and John Colton, preistes, Thomas Smythe and Edmunde Caley.

[Proved 26 Jan., 1549-50.]

CCXXIV. THE WILL OF SIR WILLIAM MIDDLETON, OF STOCKELD, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 958.]

2 Aug., 1549, I, William Myddylton, of Stockelde, knight, of hoole and perfyte remembrance, bequeathe my soule unto Almighty God, and my body to be buryed in our Ladyes quere in the parishe churche of Spofforthe yff I decease at my manor of Stockelde, and yf it please God to call me to His mercy at my manor of Stubbam then my sepulture to be in the quere of Sainct Nicholas of the south syd of the parishe churche of Ilkeley under the stone that myne ancetoure Sir Peres Myddylton lyethe, and yf it pleas God to call me to his mercy at anny other place then my sepulture to be at the discrecon of myne executores. To the parson of Spoforthe iij s. iiij d. for tythes forgotten, to the vicare of Ilkeley other iij s. iiij d.; also I will that at the daye of my deathe foure poundes to be distributed to the poor people within the parishes of Spoforth and other paryshes nexte adioning, and also xl s. to the poor of Ilkley. I will one goblett with the cover of silver and doble gilte,

* Sir Edward Brereley *alias* Lockesmythe proved the will under a commission from the executors.

weing twenty and eghte ownces or ther abouts, to remayne at my howse at Stockelde as an herelome from heire to heyre in recompence of suche heyrlomes as I put awaye for the lone to the Kinges Maiesty, and that my heyres frome one to an other shall have the occupancy and possession of the said goblet. I will that Dame Johne my wife have all such landes and tenementes as I have given hir by dede of feoftemente to the yerelie valor of xx li. lying in Askwithe, Ilkeley, Meston, Neffelde and Middleton for her life. I give to Katheringe Chambleryn my doughter the some of xx li., and to Johan Wentworthe beinge my dowghteres dowghter the some of x li., to be paid unto them by myne executores imediatly after my deathe. I will that Sir William Cawverley, of Cawverlay, knighte, and Henry Arthington, esquier, have my manor of Beamesley and all the rentes to perform the covenants of a deed vjth November in the xxxv^{ti} yere of our late Soveraign King Henry the eghte. I will that John Middleton, esquier, beinge here of all my landes after my deathe, do paye to Thomas Midleton, William Midleton, Peter Midleton and Henry Midleton, his bretheren, duringe ther lyfs suche annuyties as were granted by me or Thomas, my sonne and here, beinge ther father, nowe deceased. The residew of my goodes I bequeathe unto Dame Johan my wife, whome I make my sole executrix. Also I make supervisors John Middleton, sone and here of my said sone Thomas Middleton, deceased, and dothe give unto hym one stoned horsse, being a baye stoned horse, and besuchinge hym as myne espesyall trust is in hym above all other as well to be good unto the said dame Johan, my wife, as also to se this my laste will executed. Witnesses, Mathew Wentworthe, Thomas Hardwicke, gentylmen, James Michell, chaplen, William Middleton, Thomas Middleton, Constance Towler, Lancelote Kilbrowght, Leanerde Robinson, Miles Browne and Thomas Bilbrowghe, with other moo.

[Proved 11 March, 1552-3.]

CCXXV. THE WILL OF JOHN VAVASOUR, ESQ., OF WESTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 688.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The first day of Decembre, in the yere of or lord God, 1549, I, John Vavasour,* of Weston, nere Otteley, within the countie of Yorke, esquyer, beyng of hool mynde and good remembrance, makes this my last will

* Son of John Vavasour, of Weston, by Cecily Norton. He married, first, Bridget, daughter of Sir Thomas Mauleverer, of Allerton; second, Agnes Calverley, whose will follows.

in maner and forme foloyng. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, my maker and redemer, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of Weston, my parishe churche. Also I gif and bequeath to Thomas Vavasour, my sone, three tenementes in Weston aforsaid, that is to saye, on tenemente in the holdyng of Georgie Thakwroo, an other in the holdyng of John Man and John Mawson, and the thirde in the holdyng of Roberte Grouell, whiche I gif to the said Thomas Vavasour for terme of his lif; also I gif to my doughtor Anne Vavasour lxxx marc to her mariadge, whiche is in the custodie of Margerie Beiston, late wif of Rauf Beiston. Also I gif to Thomas Kygheley, my son in lawe, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. whiche I do owe unto hym. Also I gif to Agnes Paites and Emotte Blaides either of them a whie. Also I gif to Christofer Colstone thre shepe, to Anne Calverlaye vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to Isabell Vavasour of Poklyngton vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to Agnes Sudderbe and Elsabeth Hagthorpe either of them a whie. Also I will that my broder Robert Vavasour shall have his vij nobles rent duryng his lif accordyng to my fader's gifte, and also I gif my said broder a velvett dublett. Also I gif to John Saunder my servaunte two spryngs called Estwodes duryng his lif. Fynaly, my dettes paid, my funerales expenses and legacies dischardged, I gif the rest of my goodes unbequeathed to Agnes, my wif, whom I make my sole executrice, and also I desire of charitie my cousyng Henrie Arthyngton to be supervisour of this my last will, and to se that the same be fulfilled. Thies be wittenesses, maister Henrie Arthyngton, armiger, Robert Vavasour, John Saunder, Thomas Cave and Percyvall Lambarte.

[Proved 25 Jan., 1550–1, by the executrice.]

CCXXVI. THE WILL OF AGNES VAVASOUR, OF WESTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 687.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xvj daye of Januarij, in the yere of our Lord God, 1549, I, Agnes Vavasour, of Weston, in the countie of Yorke, widdo, of hoole mynd and good remembrance, make this my last will in maner and forme foloyng. Furst I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, my maker and redemer, and my bodie to be buried in the chancell within the parishe churche of Weston nyghe unto my late husband. Also I knowledge my self to performe and fulfill my husbandes will, and to stand to be his full executrice and to dischardge his dettes and legacies, as I have done parte alredie. Also I bequeath to my doughtor Frances Fawkes vj li. xiij s. iv d.; also I gif to my doughter

Dorothe Kyghley xl s., to my doughter Elsabeth Johnson xx s., to Thomas Vavasour thelder xx s., to my broder Roberte Vavasour a jackett and vj s. viij d., to my suster Dame Elsabeth Vavasour vj s. viij d., to Dame Elsabethe Haull x s., to Sir Thomas Lococke iiij li., to John Carder xl s., to Marmaduke Vavasour yonger xx s., to Thomas Nawdon on stott. I will that all the servauntes of the howse, men and women, have every on of them xij d. I gif to Agnes Prance and Jenett Waite either of them xij d., to Margaret Medhope iij s. iiij d , to Jenett Wilson xij d. I bequest ij dossen silver spoynes with ij saltes, on cover, on flat pece with a standyng pece oncovered to sex doughtours, Agnes Sudderbe and Elsabeth Hagthorpe to be partakers with them by equale porcons. I gif to my doughter Isabell Vavasour on chales, to Sir Richarde Coltman x s., to James Hales v s., to Emot Blades other v s., to Sir Martyn Wardman my curate myn owne nag, to Elsabeth Hagthorpe my best gowne, and to Agnes Sudderbe the next, and the residue of my rayment I gif emonges my said doughtours equaly. Also I gif myn owne parte to be equaly devided betwayne them. Finally my dettes paid and legacies dischardged I gif all my goodes whiche do remayne to Robert Sudderbe and John Hagthorpe, whom I make myn executours, and them to take on hand to dischardge boithe my husbandes will and myne owne will also, and further I desire of charitie my cousyng Henrye Arthington to be supervisor of this my will as he was of my husbandes will, and so that they be boith fulfilled. Thies be wittenes, Sir Martyne Wardman, my curate, Roberte Vavasor, John Saunder, Georgie Thakrow, William Pickerd, John Gartworthe, Thomas Mawson, William Richardson, Sir Thomas Lococke. Item I gif to my doughter Anne Vavasour vj li. xiij s. iiij d.

[Proved 31 Jan., 1550-51, by the executors.]

CCXXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN FULWOOD, OF NEWARK.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 671.]

Jan. 11, 3 Edward vj, 1549-50. John Fulwood, of Newarke opon Trente, yoman. My bodie to be buried in the churche of Marie Magdalen of Newarke, in Jhus quere. My mortuarie to be after the lawes of the realme. To the hie alter of Newarke for tithes forgotten or negligentelie paide x s. To the poore people in Newarke, to be putte into ther boxe, iij s. iiij d. Item I give and bequeithe for the makinge of a pentice or a coveringe rounde aboute the crosse in the market plaice in Newarke, substanciall and stronge withe

tymber and tyell, vj li. xiij s. iiij d., to be paide by my executores to the alderman of Newarke for the tyme beinge and his bretheren for the same worke. And if they will cover the same with leade, then I will that my executores shall pae unto them for the same worke iij li. vj s. viij d., over and besides the saide vj li. xiij s. iiij d., beinge in the hooll x li., so that the saide alderman and too of his bretheren, inhabitantes of the same towne, upon the recepte therof wilbe bounde to my executores in one obligacon in the some of xx li., aither to performe and finishe the same worke within thre yeres nexte after my deathe, or els to repae to my saide executores suche some of money as they shall receyve for the saide woorke to my executores within the saide thre yeres. And if the saide worke shall not be fenished within the saide thre yeres, and that the said money shalbe repaide to my executores, then I will that myne executores shall distribute the saide money soo repaide to the poore people in almes or oder dedes of charitie within the town of Newarke. Item I doo forgive Rycharde Seyton, of Brampton, in the countie of Yorke, husbandeman, xl s. whiche he owithe me, and I do give hyme my best ridinge coite. I do forgive my cosyn Stacye, of Laughton, in the saide countie of Yorke, one duble dukkett whiche he owithe me. To my broder, Thomas Fulwood, xl s. in moneye, and my best Bristowe freyse gowne, faced with foxe. To Beatrixe, my brother Thomas doughter, vj s. viij d. I will that myne executores shall pae to John Fulwood and Henrie Fulwood, my broder Richardo sones, unto aither of them, xx li. in redie money, within xiijth wekes nexte after my departinge oute of this worlde, and they to have the occupacon of the saide money for three yeres then nexte followenge, so that they putte in and finde good and sufficient suerties for the repaymente of the same to myne executores at the ende of the saide thre yeres. To the churche workes of Sutton upon Trente ij s. To the reparacons of Carleton Chappell ij s. To John Pare, my servaunte, my ledder dublette, a paire of hoise, a petticoite, a paire of boottes, and a sherte that I dad were myself. To Thomas Sherewod wife a quarter [illegible]. To John Cowke, my servaunte, xl s. To John Dankes [illegible] To William Seyton a jerkyn of ledder, garded with [illegible] apples. To Eliz. Wood, my servaunte, my blewe [illegible] hooll as it is. To Roberte Hallyfaxe vj s. viij d. [illegible] Wer, my servaunte, xx d. To John Pridgion, of [illegible] helpe his childer, xiij s. iiij d. To Richarde [illegible] brother, my gowne furred withe conye, and my [illegible] lined withe velvett, for terme of his lif, and

after his deceasse to remayne to John Fulwood, his sone. To every of the thre doughters of my brother Richarde Fulwoode xxxiij s. iiij d. a pece, ymediately after my depairtinge. To Roberte Kitchinge, of Farnedon, my daggar. To John Fulwood, my sone, my best silver goblett, my beste masser, and xij silver spoones. To John Reyner, my cosyn, x s., my brother Richarde shall see it paide of my goodes. Item where as I putte into the handes of Thomas Willaby liij s. iiij d., I will that he shall pae the same to the repayringe of Muskehame cawsey and Killome calsey, that is, to aither of them, xxvj s. viij d. Item I bequeithe to be delte to the poore people of Wynthorpe, Coddingeton, Balderton, Hawton, Farnedon and Kellome, to every of the saide towneshippes iij s. Item I will that theire be disposed to the poore people within the towne of Newarke at the discrecon of myne executores the dae of my buriall xl s. To every (672) one of my god children iiij d. To my cosyn Fulwood, of Leycestre, the sergiante there, x s. Residue to Agnes, my wif, and I make the saide Agnes and John Fulwood, my sone, executours of this my laste will and testamente. And I make Rolande Warryn, marchante of the stapple of Callice, and John Fulwode, my brother Richarde sone, supervisores of this my laste will and testament. And where John Amberie, of Southewell, owithe me for the reste of xx steyres vj li. xiij s. iiij d., and for xx cupples ewes and lambes iiij li. xiij s. iiij d., beinge in the hooll xj li. vj s. viij d., and also had of my laite wif, decessed, xx angelles, and I do forgive hyme the same opon condicon if he do not clame, nor none for hyme, any money of me or myne executores. Thies beinge witnesses, William Pairke, George Gollande, John Warde, surgeon, Edwarde Baken and Henrie Dossye, withe other moo.*

[Proved 9 Oct., 1550, by the relict.]

CCXXVIII. THE WILL OF MARMADUKE ELWICK, OF SEATON, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 625.]

In the name of God, Amen. In the yere of our Lorde God, 1549, the xx daie of Januarij, I, Marmaducke Elwicke, of Seiton, gentleman, hoole of mynde and good remembrance,

* He also devises property in the town and fields of Newark, Northgate and Wynthorpe, to his wife, Agnes, and son John, with remainder to John and Henry, sons of his brother Richard Fulwood, and to William Fulwood, the serjeant. "Then I will that suche of them as shall have the same shall yerlie for ever distribute to the poore people within the towne of Newarke fower loode of cooles." He further bequeathes c li. to his wife Agnes and son John, and if the latter die under twenty-one and unmarried, the wife to use and dispose the same in deeds of charity.

maikes my laste will. First I bequeathe my soule to God Almightie, and my bodie to be buried within my parishe churche of Seaton. Imprimis I bequeathe to Barbarae, my doughter, one grae stoned stag; to Christofer Barnes a bukskyn dublett and a jerkyn; to Margarete Bar . . . . , my servaunte, one spaninge quie calf; to Thomas Staveley one blacke yeringe stirke; to Mathue Elwicke my newe freise iakett; to Christofer Barnes wif one yeringe quie stirke; to Thomas Anger one tawney iakett; to my brother George Elwicke my best bowe; to maister James Ellercar v s.; to John Elwicke, my childe baste begotten, v li., the whiche John I give to my wif to have the kepinge of hyme duringe his nonaige, and she to paye the saide five poundes when he comes to lawfull aige; if so be that he depairte in the meane tyme, I will that the said fyve poundes be devyded betwixe my wif and my doughter, whome I maike my executores of this my last will. Witnes herof, Sir William Harte, Roger Talior and Christofer Barnes, with other moo.

[Proved 10 May, 1550.]

CCXXIX. THE WILL OF JANE NETTLETON, OF THORNHILL LEES HALL.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 622.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxvij daie of Marche, in the yere of oure lorde God a thousande fyve hundrethe and fiftie, I, Jane Nettilton,* of Thornhilleasehaule, within the townshipe of Thornell, in the countie of Yorke, widue, of hool mynde and memorie, maikes this my laste will in manner and forme followenge. First, I give my soule unto Almightie God, my maker and redemer, and my bodie to be buried within the parishe churche of Thornyll. My dettes and my funerall expenses maide, I give the poore folkes one quarter wheate. Also I will that Robert Nettleton, my sone, and Rosamonde, my doughter, have aither of them xl s. besides their pairtes. Also I will that Thomas, my sone, have too oxen, one blake stagge, one silver spoone, one counter, and the cloithe, the hanginges in the haule, v chares, all the bedstockes within the house, all my tackes within the manner of Snapthorp, and the tacke in the Longe Carre, and the said Thomas shall paie yerlie durynge all the termes to his brother Robert xiij s. iiij d. by yeare towardes his findinge at scooll. Also I give to the said Thomas all my wanes and ploughes and all the geare that belonges to husbandrie, and iij arkes. Also I give to William Pyllae one blacke

* Wife of Robert Nettleton, and daughter of Arthur Pilkington.

stagge and a sylver spone, and to his wife one honest bedde and her pairte of all my shappen clothes, and when the said William Pillae and my doughter, his wif, shall goo to housse they shall have five markes bestowed in householde as shalbe moste nedefull for them, and the saide William Pyllae and his wife shall maike one generall acquytance to my executores at that same tyme for any other clame, pretence, covenaunte or clayme that he or any in his nayme can demaunde or aske by me or my husbande Robert Nettilton. Also I give Thomas Sayvill one done fillie. I give Richarde Jakson vj s. viij d. I give Anne Browke one ewe and a lambe. I give Thomas Wilkinson ij s. I give the clerke xij d. I give Edmonde Haworthe ij s. The reast of all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, I give to my five children, that is to saie, Alice Nettilton, Elsabeth, Jayne, Roberte and Rosamonde, whome I maike full executores ioyntely togeder, and they to take my dettes and paye my dettes and all other bequestes accordinge to this my will, and farthermore that the saide goodes shalbe equally devided emonges my above naymed five childer at the sighte and discrecon of my moost trustie frendes and lovers, that is to saie, Roberte Pilkington, Nicholes Sayvell, Roberte Fornes, whome I maike my supervisores, and gives xx s. emonges them to see my will fulfilled. Also I will that William Brouke, of Bradlaie haule, have the custodie of Margarete Nettilton to my sone Thomas come to his lawfull aige, and the saide William to receyve the rentes at Nettilton hill according to the indentures maide betwixe my husband and her father John Clayton. Also I praie my brother Pilkington to taike my son Roberte and all his goodes and annuyties gyven hyme and his father accordnge to our willes and to one deide that is in the custodie of Nicholes of the Newhaule of Elande. Farther I praie my brother . . . . . to taike my doughter Rosamonde and all her childes pairte accordinge to my will. Thies beinge witnesses, Thomas Wilkynson, curaite, Thomas Sayvell, Roberte Fornes, Richarde Jakson, William Browke, withe other moo.

[Proved 23 April, 1550.]

CCXXX. THE WILL OF LADY ISABEL JOHNSON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 717.]

In the name of God, Amen. The furst day of Aprile, in the yere of our Lord God, 1550, and in the fourte yere of the reigne of oure soveryng lorde Edwarde the sexte, I, ladie

Isabell Johnson,* widdoo, beyng hooll of mynde and of good and perfecte remembrance, thankes be to Almyghtie God, doith make this my last will and testament in maner and forme as folowithe. Furst I gif my saull to Almyghtie God, my creator and redemer, desiryng oure blissed ladie with all the blissed sanctes in heaven to praye with me and for me, that my saull and bodie maye come to lif everlastyng throughe the merites of the passion of oure Saviour Jesu Christe, and my bodie to be buried within the churche at Otteley in on quere theire called oure ladie quere, at suche tyme as it shall please God to call me to his mercye. Item further where the thirde parte of alsuche goodes and cattelles, aswell moveable as not moveable, which late were the goodes and cattelles of the right worshipfull Sir Thomas Johnson, my late husband, decessed, by the kinges highenes lawes of this his realme of England, and the custome of the same doith of right apperteyne unto me, the said ladie Isabell Johnson, widdoo, whiche goodes certeynly appereth in on inventarie therof maide imediatly after the deathe of my said husband; I will that all my said thirde parte of the said goodes or the full valour be distributed and geven to my childer and other persones herafter named in maner and forme as folowithe. That is to saye, I gif unto my welbelovyd doughtour Mawde Beckewithe the sum of xli. To my doughtour Jane Catterall other x li. To my son Frances Palmes the som of x li. To my son Henrie Johnson other ten poundes. To my son Thomas Palmes x li. And to my son Arthur Johnson other x li. To my doughtour Margarete Johnson the som of x li., and to my doughtour Frances Johnson other ten poundes; and the said somes of money by me thus severally geven to everye of my said childer I will the same to be levied and maide of my goodes by suche persones as in this my will shalbe nominated my executours, and then my executours to paye the same to my said childer accordyng to the tenour of this my will. Item I gif to my son Frances Palmes one flower of gold sett with diamondes and a pare of beades of stones and goldsmyth warke, in consideracon of a crosse and other suche jewels as was my late husbandes, Brian Palmes, and his fador, decessed, and put awaye by my late husband Sir Thomas Johnson, decessed. I gif to my said son Frances Palmes my leace and interest which I

* Daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Lindley, Esq., of Lindley, near Otley, whose will, dated 1 April, was proved 1 October, 1524, at York (see Thoresby Society *Miscellanea*, ix, 181). She married, first, Brian Palmes, whose will, dated 2 Oct., 1528, is printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v, 264. By her first husband she had Sir Francis Palmes, of Lindley. The will of her second husband, Sir T. Johnson, is printed No. 162 in this volume.

lately did take of the half parsonadge of Otteley and my leace of a closse lieng in Tymble duryng suche yeres as is mentioned in the said leaces and as yet not expired, apon consideracon that my said son Frances Palmes shall pay unto everye of my said childer above named the som of fortie shellynges lawfull Englishe money. Item I will that Maister Scrymshey, beyng executour unto my said late husband, doo pay unto Mawde Lyndley, doughtour of Christofer Lyndley, decessed, alsuche somes of money as was receyved by my said late husband for her childe porcon, and that my executours paie unto the said Mawde Lyndley alsuche somes of money as I have receyved synce the deathe of my said husband, beyng also a parte of her childe porcon. Item I gif unto the said Mawde Lyndley the som of xl s. or els ij whies with calf, towardes the better preferment of her mariadge. Item I gif to everie of my servauntes and women servauntes whiche haith dwelled with me by the spacie of on yere, to everye of them, vj s. viij d. Item I will and hertely doo desire my welbelovyd cousyng William Scrymshey, esquyer, that he woll paye unto my doughtour and other persones named in my late husband will alsuche somes of money as to them is geven by the said will, and further that he will se the same well performed according as my full trust is in hym for the same. And the residue of my goodes I gif to my son Frances Palmes, whome I make my full and hooll executour. And I make supervisours my welbelovyd cousyng Georgie Palmes, Archediacon of Yorke, and my frend Thomas Hardwike, gentleman, and I gif unto either of them the som of xl s., and theire costes to be borne by my executours at such tymes as they shall take paynes to se this my will performed. Writtyn and red before the said ladie Isabell Johnson, widdoo, the daye and yere above writtyn, per me Thomam Herdwike, in the presencie of Thomas Beckewithe, esquyer, and William Dicconson.

[Proved 16 April, 1551.]

CCXXXI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM HUTCHINSON, OF OWTHORPE, YEOMAN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 672*d*.]

June 11, 4 Edward vj (1550). William Hotchynson,* of Owthorpe, yoman, seke in bodie and hooll of mynde and of perfite remembrance. My bodie to be buried in the chancell of Owthorpe. My mortuarie accordinge as the lawe requirithe.

* Ancestor of the well-known Colonel Hutchinson, of Civil War fame.

To the hie alter iij s. iiij d. To the poore mennes boxe xij d. To every god childe that I have xij d. To the towne of Cotgrave v s. To the towne of Kynnalton iiij s. To the towne of Colston Bassett vj s. To the towne of Croppill vj s. To the towne of Owthorpe x s. To William James xx s. To Hughe Birde too ewes, ij lambes. To Elsabethe Patynson x s. To Alice Draper a effer. To Robert Hutchinson wife a ewe and a lambe. To every one of his children a lambe. To Lawrence Hotchinson vj ewes and vj lambes. To Edmonde Drakes childer childer children, everie one of them one ewe and one lambe. The rest I will that my father Thomas Hutchynson shall use and order to the behove and furtherance of my wife and my poore children, as he shall thinke best. And here I make of this my laste will and testamente Thomas Hutchynson, my father, myne executore. Thies beringe witnes, Thomas Watson, Robert Watson, Hughe Birde, withe other moo.

[Proved 9 Oct., 1550.]

CCXXXII. THE WILL OF PHILIP MORTON, OF BRADFIELD.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 757.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiiij day of June, 1550, I, Phillipe Morton, of the Chapellarie of Bradfeld, hooll of mynd and of good and perfecte memorie, maketh this my last will. Furst I gif my saull unto God Almyghtie, my creator, and to Jesu Christe, his son only, my redemer, and to all the celestiall company of heaven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche or churche yerde of St. Nicholas at Bradfeld. Also I bequeath for my mortuary as the lawe haith ordeynd. Also I will that John Morton, my son and heire apparent, content and paye or cause to be paid unto Thruston, Roberte, Nicholas and John Morton, my childer, xl s., that is to witt, unto everye on of them x s., to be paid within the spacie of too yeres next. Also I gif unto Roberte Morton, my son, xxvj s. viij d., over and besides his childe porcon of my goodes; to John Morton, my yongest son, xxvj s. viij d., over and besides his childe porcon, and over and besides iij li. whiche I owe unto the said John. Also I gif to Elisabethe, my wif, on of the best beddes within my howse, with all thinges to the same bed belongyng, a brasse pott, and a cowe, over and besides her porcon of my goodes; also unto Heughe Jackson and Gratie, his wif, xx s., of and for the rest of her childe porcon; unto Roberte Browner and Elisabeth, his wif, x s., of and for the rest of her childe porcon; to Roberte Waynewright and Beatrice, his wif, x s. viij d., of and for the rest of her childe porcon, over and

besydes a cowe, or els xx s. in money whiche I do owe unto the said Roberte for the rest of her mariadge goodes; unto Richard Ibotson and Jenett, his wif, vj s. viij d., of and for the rest of her childe porcon; to John Skynner and Jane, his wif, vj s. viij d., of and for the rest of her childe porcon; also unto Thomas Spone and Margarete, his wif, of and for her childe porcon, vj s. viij d. over and besides xxiij s. iiij d. whereof I do owe unto the said Thomas for the rest of his mariadge goodes. Also I bequeath unto Thrustane Morton, my son, my best jackett, best dublett, best hoise and best sherte; to Agnes, my doughtour, wif of Briane Moore, vj s. viij d., of and for the rest of her childe porcon; also to Alicie Revell and Elene, doughtours of Thomas Revell, either of them a yowe; and unto Philipe Morton, Philipe Skynner and Philipe Ibotson, my god childer, every on of them a lambe; and to Margarete Morton, doughtour of Roberte Morton, iij s. iiij d.; to Elsabeth, my wif, all my corne that shall forton to be within my howse or sawne in the feld at the day of my decesse. The residue of all my goodes I gif unto the propre use of Thrustayne, Nicholas, Roberte, and John Morton the yonger, my childer, to be equally divided emong them, whome I ordeyn to be my executours. Thies wittenes, Thrustane Morton, John Morton, Nicholas Ronkesley and Edwarde Bower.

[Proved 1 Sept., 1551.]

CCXXXIII. THE WILL OF CECILY BOYNTON, OF ROXBY, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 706.]

In the name of the fader, the son, and the holy Goost, three parsones and on lyvyng God, so be it, I, Cecilie Boynton,* of Rowseby, widdo, hooll in mynde and reason, the xvj daye of June, 1550, makes this my last will. First I will, gif, and bequeath my saull to God Almyghtie, the maker and redemer of the universaull world, and to oure ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company and courte of heavyn, with whome I trust faithfully to be conversant; and my bodie to be buried in the chapell at Rowseby at the south ende of the hie altar. Also I gif to my son Thomas Boynton xx s., and the greate carved pressour in the parloure to be hairelome; to my doughtour Anne Boynton xx s. in money; to my doughter Cecilie Boynton xx s. in money; to my doughter Margarete Boynton xx s. in

* Daughter of James Strangeways, of Sneton, and widow of Thomas Boynton, whose will, dated 1523, was printed in *Test. Ebor.*, v. Her son Matthew's will is in this volume, No. 90.

money; to my son William Goldesburghe a pounced pece of silver and xx s.; to my son Richard Goldesburghe a silver cup with a coveryeng, half a dosand silver spoynes and xx s.; to my son Rauf Goldesburghe ij kye and xx s.; to my doughtour Elynour Goldesburghe my best fedder bed and bolster, a pare fustiane blankettes, a pare of sheites, ij coverlettes, a coveryng of Dornyx, at the sight of her moder, with too kye and xxs., my cupbord with ij shote lockers, six silver spoynes and a salt of silver without cover; to my doughtour Anne Goldesburghe too kie and xx s.; to my doughtour Johanne Goldesburghe too kie and xx s.; to my doughtour Cecilie Goldesburghe ij kie and xx s.; to my son Robert Halderby (*sic*) ij stottes and xx s.; to my son Frances Haldenby a covered coppe of silver gilt to be on herelome, and xx s.; also to every on of my son Roberte Haldenby childer xx s. in money, that is to saye, Roberte, Thomas, John, Leonard, Richard, Philipe, Dorothye, Katherine and Cecilie; to my doughtour Jane Goldesburghe sex silver spoynes with liberd heades, and all my howshold stuf and kitchyn; to my cousyng Eliz. Dove iij s. iiij d.; to every on of my necis, Margarete Strangwayes, Elsabeth Strangwayes, Jane Strangwayes and Isabell Strangwayes, vj s. viij d.; to my nephewe Sir Martine Strangwayes vj s. viij d.; to Sir James Marshall iij s. iiij d.; to Sir Georgie Goulland vj s. viij d.; to Roberte Carre ij oxen whiche ar in his handes; to Laurentie Jeffraison ij oxen, ij kie, and my sorid horse with bridle and sadle, and xiij s. iiij d.; to Thomas Knages ij oxen which ar in his owne handes; to John Knages a cowe; to Henrie Tod a cowe; to Elynour Hildrethe my best gowne and best kirtle and ij kie; to John Barowe a whie; to Thomas Piper a whie; to the parson of Esyngton for recompense of my gieftes at Grenoo and letting furthe of my kie vj s. viij d.; to Roberte Hodgeson a cowe; to Richarde Aldburghe vj s. viij d.; to my nephewe Richard Strangwayes too sones, James and William, whiche I christeyned, either of them, vj s. viij d.; to my godson Leonard Conyers iij s. iiij d.; to Sir William Pynder xl s.; to the parson of Goldesburghe xx s.; to Sir Edmunde Lowson xx s.; to Agnes Hastynges vj s. viij d.; to Anne Cowpland a gowne; to James Dixson a cowe; to Agnes Trundoke a cowe; to every servaunte in the howse, man and woman xij d.; to every howseholder in the [illegible] parish of Rowseby xij d. I bequeathe that all my corne [illegible] Grenoo be distributed emonges the parochians aforsaid [illegible] most nede shalbe thought by the discretion of my [illegible]. The residue I gif to my son Thomas Goldesburghe,

esquyer, and my doughtour Jane, his wif, whom I make my sool executours. Thies wittenes, Thomas Goldesburghe, esquyer, and Edmunde Lowson, preist, with other.

[Proved 20 Feb., 1550, by the executors.]

CCXXXIV. THE WILL OF JOHN SANCTE PAULE, OF CAMPSALL, GENT.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 730.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xiij daie of September, in the yere of oure Lorde God, 1550, I, John Sancte Paule,* of Campsall, gent., beinge hooll of mynde and of good and perfite remembrance, makithe this my last will. First I bequeithe and comend my soule to Almightie God, my maker and Redemer, to our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes in heven, and my bodie to be buried in the churche of Campsall, beside Anne Sancte Paule, my wif. Also I bequeithe to be delte and given to poore folkes for my saule and aboute my bringinge furthe to my sepulture xl s., and an honest dynner to my frendes and neigheboures that comithe to my buriall. Item I bequeith to the highe alter in the said churche for all tithes and oblacons iij s. iiij d.; to John Tomson, my curaite, to praie for me, xij d.; to Sir Richarde Hetton a quarter barlie; to Sir William Sancte Paule, my brother, xx s. in money and a yere borde; to Agnes Amyas, my suster in lawe, vj s. viij d., and to her doughter iij s. iiij d.; to Roberte Whitede iij s. iiij d., and to Merriall, his wiffe, iij s. iiij d.; to William Smythe, my servaunte, a cap, a sherte, a dublett, a paire of hoise, a paire of shoes, a iakett, and ij s. in money. Item I forgive Richarde Gomersall his Witsondae farme last paste and other dettes betwixe hyme and me. To Robert Sancte Paule, my sone, my bae curtall horse and xx s. in money if he be content withe it and chalance nomore, els to have no more but what the lawe will give hyme. Also I will that imediately after my deathe all suche dettes and dueties as I owe of righte or conscience to any persone to be well and truelie contentid of my hooll goodes, and after I give to thies my children her after naymed, that is to saye, Richarde, John, Thomas, William, Brian, George, Peter, Jasper and Barbarae Sancte Paule, all my goodes. Item I give to thies my saide children my leace

* The family of St. Paul had been long at Campsall. Mr. Hunter says that George (grandson of the testator) was the ruin of his house. John St. Paul's *Inquisitio post mortem* was taken 15 Nov., 4 Edward VI, and states that he died 22 Sept. last, and that Michael was son and heir, 26 years of age. He and Richard died issueless, as John appeared as head of the family at the *Visitation* of 1585, being father of George above-mentioned.

and residue of yeres which I have to come of my farmolde and tacke in Balne as appearith in a paire of indentures betwene Sir Frances Haistinges, knighte, and me. Also I give them to their helpe and succour too partes of all my landes in Campsall, Carcroft and Skellowe for the terme of xxj yeres withoute impeachement of waiste excepte Michael Sancte Paule, my sone and heire, and Christofer, Heir of the High Lawe in Darbieshier, esquier, will content and paie unto the saide children a hundreth markes of money save x li. whiche I have had afore my deathe in parte of payment of the said hundreth markes, and also the saide Mychael and Christofer to suffer my children to occupie and peaceblely enioye all my landes in Campsall towne and feildes for the spaice of five yeres nexte after my deathe as is agreed betwene the saide Christofer Heir and the saide Michael, my sone, and me, and to be maide suer to my children as Mr. Rokesbie haithe devysed by writinges accordinge to the lawe, and the said writinges so sealed and possession delyvered opon the same to my saide children by the saide Michael, that then I will that the saide Michaell, my sone, shall at the five yeres ende to receive and have againe the landes, and also my farmolde in Balne. I make my children Richarde, John, Thomas, William, Brian, George, Peter, Jasper and Barbarae myne executores, and they to have my goodes, farmolde in Balne equally to be pairted emonges them at the sighte of my cosinge John Bradforde, Henrie Brome and Sir William Sancte Paule, my broder, whome I maike my supervisores, and to have for their laboure xs. a peice. Thies beinge witnesses, Sir John Tompson, my curaite, William Hudson, Roberte Whited and Richarde Gomersall, withe other moo.

[Proved 16 April, 1551.]

CCXXXV. THE WILL OF RICHARD KERESFORTH, OF KERESFORTH HILL.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 729.]

In the name of God, Amen. The xxvj daie of December, in the yere of oure lorde God, 1550, I, Richard Keixforthe,* of Keixforthe hill, within the parishe of Barnesley, gent., hooll of mynde and seke in bodie, makithe this my last will. In the first I give and bequeathe my soule to God Almyghtie, and my bodie to be buried in the ladie quere

* Son of John Keresforth, of Keresforth, by Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Bosvile, of Ardsley. He married Isabella, daughter of . . . . . Normanvile, of Billingley. His grandson Thomas appeared at the *Visitation* of 1585. His brother John was ancestor of Thomas Keresforth, who entered his pedigree at Dugdale's *Visitation*, 1665.

within the parishe churche of Barnesley. Also I give for my mortuarye according to the Kinges lawes; also I give to euerie one of my doughters at this tyme unmarried, that is to saie, Anne, Margarete, Meriell and Marie, to euerie one of them xx li. a pece of good and usuall money of Englande, of, for and in the nayme of their children porcons, and also I give to Elizabeth Jagger, my doughter, ten poundes in the name of the residue of her childes porcon, and that they and euerie of them to be contentid withe the same, and I will that the saide somes of money be paid to my saide doughters at suche daies as shalbe thoughte necessarie by the discrecons of Nicholes Sayvell, of the Newe Haule, esquier, and John Normavell, clerke, the vicar of Sandall magna. And also I will that my said doughters shall seall one sufficient acquietance unto Thomas, my sone and heire, at suche tymes as they shall receive their somes. Also I give to Thomas Kereforthe, my sone and heire apparraunte, all my hooll goodes, whom I make my full executor. I will that the said Nicholes Sayvell, esquier, and John Normanvell, clerke, shalbe my supervisores. Thies being witnes, James Malynsone, of Worseborghe, clerke, John Jenkynson, of Galber Haull, William Roides and John Armetedge.

[Proved 16 April, 1551.]

CCXXXVI. THE WILL OF ANNE LUTTON, OF NEW MALTON.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 702.]

In the name of God, Amen. The v day of January, in the yere of our lord God, 1550–1, I, Anne Lutton, of Newe Malton, makes this my last will. First I bequeath my saull to God Almyghtie, oure ladie Sancte Marie, and all the blissed company in heaven, my bodie to be buried in the churche of our blissed ladie at Old Malton. I bequeath to Robert Fostar, of Tadcastre, his wif, and all theire childer, so well Matthewe Harwoodes as theires, xl s., equaly to be divided. To Anthony Conyers, his wif and his childer, aswell Anthonye Selows as theirs, x s., equaly to be divided. To Marie Lutton, my cousyng, my lesse fetherbed. To my maid servaunte Jane Wharton a matres, three coverlettes, a pair of lyn shetes and a pare of hardeyne, and a braspott and three pece of pewder, and my holie daye gowne and my sage kirtle, and a pare of blankettes and a cod, and a latyn candelsticke. To my curate Sir William Ryngwood iij s. iiij d., and to Sir John Maison ij s., and to Sir Rauf Westhrope ij s. to pray for me; to Jane Wharton xx s.; to ichon of my suster servauntes,

boith men and women, viij d. a pece. The rest of my goodes I gif to my suster Ellynor Constable, whome I make my full executrice by thies wittenes, Sir William Ryngswod, prest, Sir Rauf Westhrope, preist, John Gasquyn and Roberte Darrell.

[Proved 17 Feb., 1550-1.]

CCXXXVII. THE WILL OF LAURENCE LYSTER, OF STIRKHOUSE, GISBURN.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 824.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The seconde day of the monthe of Januarie, in the yere of our Lord God, 1550-1, I, Laurence Lyster, of Stirkhowse, of Gisburne perishe, gentleman, beynge hole of mynd and seeke of bodie, dredinge death, doithe make my last will. The first I bequeathe my soull unto Almightie God, and to his blessed mother our ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company in heaven, and my bodie to be buried within my parishe churche of our blessed ladie of Gisburne, of the north syde of the said churche. Also I geve to William Waid, my sonne in lawe, vj li., in the handes of John Perishe, of Arneclife, and iij li. in the handes of John Kinge, of Gisburne, mylner, and fyve nobles and xx d. in the handes of Thomas Coer, of Gaysgyll. Also to Margarete Lyster, my dowghter, xlvj li. xiij s. iiij d. in moneye, to hir mariage, and the said Margret to be contente therewith for hir porcone. Unto yonge Laurence Lyster, of Medoppe, one yonge gray horse. To Richard Atkynsone, of Swynden, my tenande, too oxe twynters, and my wife and Anthony, my sonne, to wynter theme unto such tyme as thei be able to drawe. To Jenkyn Balderstone my best jackett and a dublett. To Thomas Whittacar, my sonne in lawe, too blake whies, one with a whyte spynke of the backe. To Christofer Lyster, my basterd son, xl s. To John Welles one marbyll jackett and a ledder jerkynge. I bequeth one whie calfe to Isabel Crosse, my servaunte, at the sight of Anthonye. To Laurence Forte, my godsone, one branded calfe that I bought of Christofer Ardington; x s. to be distribute and geven unto the poore folkes of Gisburne perishe. The residue of all my goodes I geve unto Jennet, my wife, and Anthony, my son, and yt ys my will that Jennet, my wife, have the orderinge and occupacon of my farmeholde duringe hir widdowhede, and after that Anthony, my son, by the licence of the lorde, and forther I make my hooll executors Jennet, my wife, and Anthony Lister, my son, jointlie together. Thes beinge

wittnesses, William Lyster, of Myddope, esquyer, Thomas Lister, of Westbie, gentleman, Alexander Nowell, of Horton, gentleman, Richard Smythes, yeoman, cum aliis.

[Proved 18 Feb., 1551–2.]

CCXXXVIII. THE WILL OF ELIZABETH LORD, OF YORK, FORMERLY PRIORESS OF WILBERFOSS.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 705.]

Jan. 28, 1550–1. Elizabeth Lord, in Yorke. First I gif and bequeath my saull to God Almyghtie, my creator and redemer with his most preciouse bloude, and to our blissed ladie sancte Marie the Virgyne, and to all the holie and blissed company of heaven, forto praye for me and with me to God the Father Almyghtie, and my bodie to be buried in the grownde within the churche of the Holie Trinitie in Gotheromgate, in the ladie quere, nyghe unto my broder's stall in the said churche. Unto the poore people boxe in the said churche v s. Also I will that their shalbe bestowed at the daye of my beriall foure poundes and moore after the discretion of my executours. Unto my cousyng Frances Gaile my best standdyng pece gilt with a cover and x li. To my cousyng maister Robert Pecoke and ladie Anne, his wif, a standdyng pece gilt (705*d*) with a cover, and to her self more foure angels in gold. To my cousyng Rauf Haull and Isabell, his wif, an other standdyng pece gilte with a cover, and to her more foure angels in gold. To my cousyng Briane Lord a goblett with a cover percell gilt and v li. To my cousyng John Rokbye and Dorothe, his wif, an other goblett percell gilte without a cover, and to her self more in money iiij li. To my cousyng Christopher Clapham and Alicie, his wif, another goblett percell gilte without a cover, and to her self more foure angels in gold. To my cousynge Roberte Garbray and Elisabethe, his wife, a salt parcell gilt and half a dosand silver spoynes, and to her self more in monaye iiij li. To Jenett Cooke, the wif of Myles Cooke, a macer. To my cousing Ursula Gaile a silver pott, and xx li. in money towardes her mariadge. To my cousyng Thomas Gaile ten poundes. To my cousyng Mabell Wilson, the wif of Henrie Wilson in Kendall, a par of corall beades with silver gawdes, and a ryng of gold with a blewe sapher in it. To my cosyn Thomas Lord, the son unto my broder Edward Lord, xl s. To Shepard, the wif of Laurentie Shepard in Kendall, and doughtour unto my suster Margarete, a kirtill and a petticote. To my cosyn John Lund xl s., and

to Isabell, his wif, my best gowne and best kirtill. To my cosyng Thomas Broides xx s., and to Marie, his wif, a gowne and a kirtill next unto the best. To Sir William Garnett, the parson, my curate, on old riall of gold to pray for me, and for tithes or offrynges nedigently forgettyn, in dischardge of my conscientie. To every on of the men servauntes and women servauntes in my broder's howse ij s. a pece. To Elisabeth Bakehowse and Agnes Frankeland, either of them a whit peticote. To everye god childe that I christenyd in Yorke, wiche are on lyve, iiij d. a pece. To my cousyng Edward Harlyng vj s. viij d. To my cousyng Katherine Harlyng, the wif of John Carlell, vj s. viij d. To Agnes Barton, Alicie Thornton, Johan Andrew and Margerie Browne, whiche was susters with me in the howse of Wilberfosse, to everye on of them vj s. viij d. To the menddyng of the highe waye in Kexbie layne x s. Also I will that my executour shall distribute for my saull to be praid for iiij li., whiche he shall order and dispose it at all tymes, at his owne will and pleasour, without any accompte therfore gyvyng, bot as shall please hym self to do unto any man. The residue to my lovyng and kynd broder, maister Georgie Gaile, alderman, whome I orden and make my onlie faithefull executour of this my last will and testament. Thies beyng wittenes, specialy requisite therunto, maister Georgie Haull, chamberlayn of Yorke than, maister Miles Cooke, marchaunte, Richarde Holidaye, with William Garnett, my curate. Also to everye on of my susters Margarete and Mabelles childer vj s. viij d. a pece. To my cousyng Isabell Haull, the wif to my cousyng Rauf, a gowne, the whiche he did bye for me at London. Also I will that everye on of my wittenes have for theire paynes takyng for me for a remembrance for to pray for me, xij d. to make merie with all. To Isabell Lund, my cosyng, a kercheve. To Georgie Haull wif a kercheve. To Robert Aman wif a kercheve. To moder Masherudder, widdoo, a kercheve. To Maistres Garnett a whit cap and a silke hatt.

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CCXXXIX. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS DENMAN, OF EAST RETFORD, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xiii. 779*d*.]

Feb. 18, 1550–1, 5 Edward vj. Nicholas Denman, of Est Retford, esquyer, beyng seeké of bodie, but hooll of mynde, my saull to Almyghtie God, and my bodie to the earthe. To the curate of Est Retford xij d. To the poore men's box [illegible] To everye of my childer xxxiij s. iiij d., to be paid

yerely to everye of them out of all my landes and tenementes durynge theire naturall lyves, as at lardge doith appere by writynges maid betwixt Sir John Hercy, knyght, of th'on partie, and me, the said Nicholas and Rauf Denman, my son, of the other partie, beryng date the xij daye of July in the xxxvij yere of the reigne of our late sovereyng lord of most famouse memorie, King Henrie th'eight (1545). To everye on of my son Rauf younger childer xxxiij s. iiijd., to be paid yerely to everye of them as is aforsaid. To Anne Denman, my wif, the leace of my orte yerde, whiche I have of the towne of Est Retford, and she to occupie it, as it shall please her, duryng the hooll terme therof; and also I gif to the said Anne and her assignes duryng her natural lif on half leye, whiche I bought of Thomas Yong, adionyng to the said orte yerde. Residue to my said wif, whome I make my sole executrice. Sir John Hercye supervisour, and he to have for his paynes xiij s. iiij d. Thies beyng wittenes, Robert Ryveley, curate, Richard Denman, John Waubocke, William Rossall, William Rysheton, Richard Burton, Thomas Holmes and Christopher Sawnebie.

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